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OPENING CONVOCATION

Wartburg kicked off its "Year of Social Work and Social Justice" at Opening Convocation Sept. 6. The yearlong celebration commemorates the social work department's 60th anniversary.

Walter Reed Jr. '76, director of the Iowa Department of Human Rights, served as keynote speaker. A Waterloo native, Reed is a member of the social work national advisory board.

"The social work profession is a career in helping people to find ways of living more satisfying and productive lives," Reed explained. "At the core of this academic discipline is a personal commitment of service. Oftentimes, the motivation behind such personal commitment comes from the environment you grew up in, intimate life experiences, spiritual guidance, compelling social issues and sometimes catastrophic events."

Following Reed's address, the college conferred Wartburg Medals upon Lorna Wissink '50, retired bank president and Wartburg Board of Regents member, and Maynard Anderson, professor emeritus of music.

OPENING CONVOCATION – Above left: Longtime Board of Regents member Lorna Wissink '50, poses with Board of Regents Chairman Fred Hagemann '67 and President Jack R. Ohle. Wissink was an advocate and major donor for preserving and restoring Old Main and other projects. Above right: Ohle addresses the audience. At right: Dr. Maynard Anderson, professor emeritus of music, poses with Hagemann and Ohle by the sculpture, *Aspiration*, which he commissioned for the college.

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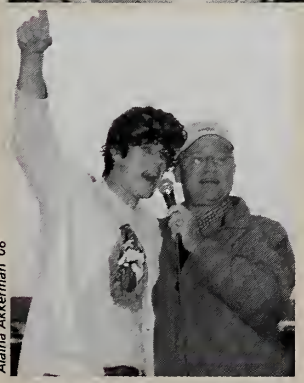

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COSTUMED CUTIES – Jackie Sorenson '07 of Tiffin and Rachel Arends '06 of La Crescent, Minn., dressed in Outfly safari gear for an early morning "ostrich ride."

AUSFLUG! – Student Body President Matt Lamos '06 of Waverly and President Jack R. Ohle called "Outfly" the morning of Oct. 11.

Die Liste

Number of Homecoming events offered in 1985: 41

Number of Homecoming events offered in 1996: 48

Number of Homecoming events offered in 2005: 57

Largest turnout at a Homecoming class reunion: 106
Class of 1973 10-year reunion, 1983

Worst Homecoming reunion turnout: 123
Combined total for all nine class reunions, 1972

Largest 50-Year Club Homecoming reunion turnout: 104
Class of 1953 reunion, 2003

Current number of 50-Year Club members: 1,848

Total number of alumni worldwide: 19,000

Number of subscribers to the alumni e-mail listserv: 10,000

Number of years online Homecoming registration has been offered: 2

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ON THE COVER – Karris Golden '98, editor, took this photo of the new fountain and an illuminated Old Main in the early morning hours.

LANDMARK – The Wartburg fountain made its debut in 1928, when elm trees were abundant throughout the campus.

Glorious fountain! Let my heart be fresh, changeful, constant, Upward, like thee!

by Linda Moeller '66

Inspired by James Russell Lowell's poem, "The Fountain," the Wartburg Class of 1927 provided a landmark that, like the college, has remained fresh, changeful and constant over the ensuing 78 years.

Times and spaces have changed considerably since the fall of 1927, when the fountain stood on an expansive campus green in front of Wartburg Hall, its closest neighbor. As the college grew, Luther Hall pushed in on the south, and the Student Union joined Wartburg Hall on the east. Whitehouse Business Cenrer and Student Union expansions, culminating with the Saemann Student Center, further encroached on the fountain surroundings.

Yet through the years, the fountain remained a constant in campus life.

"It colored my world for my entire Wartburg stay – always a beacon, changing with the seasons, but a constant," observed Miriam Lutz '84 of Washington, D.C.

A news story in the Oct. 10, 1927, edition of the *Wartburg Echo*, forerunner of the *Wartburg Trumpet*, noted that the Class of 1927 had voted to erect a fountain "in recognition of the many kindnesses bestowed upon it by its Alma Mater" and "to beautify the campus that had grown so dear to them."

The Roman design featured a large, shallow bowl supported by carved pedestals. A spray of water from the center of the basin dripped over the edges into a large circular lily pond stocked with goldfish. *The Echo* story reported that "a number of rainbow trout have been purchased and will soon be placed in the pond." Thus, the fountain was alternately known as the fish pond by several generations of students.

Rich Gordon '88 of Minneapolis, Minn., interviewed the late Herbert Engelbrecht '27, Wartburg business manager from 1949 to 1962, for a 1988 feature story about the fountain. Engelbrecht recalled that a local conractor named George Blaine did the concrete work for the project.

"When the fountain was finished, we noticed that one side wasn't quite level," Engelbrecht recalled. "But it wasn't real noticeable, and rhose things happen in cement work." Over the years, however, the lean grew worse, and by 2004, physical plant director John Wuertz '73 reported that the whole fountain was leaning out of plumb several inches.

The fountain underwent several renovations and repairs, most notably in 1966, when a six-jet, self-circulating spray system and a colored ring of lights made it a favorite nightrime landmark.

Courtesy Photo

WATER MUSIC – It was unseasonably warm for Wartburg's 1994 Commencement. To cool off and celebrate a rite of passage, these music education grads, all voice majors, danced in the fountain. Graduates, from left: Ann Underwood Derrick, Nancy Newland Lehman, Tara Frideres Baumgartner, Dan Anderson, Brian Stinar, Jay Albrecht.

Wartburg File Photo

FOCAL POINT – Spray jets and colored lights, above, made the fountain a favorite night spot for several generations of Wartburg students. The system eventually wore out, and by the turn of the century, above right, resident campus ducks could return for a swim in the calm water.

"One of my most memorable experiences was watching the fountain change colors at night," said Toni Black Humpfer '86 of Ames. "I especially enjoyed the view from the south stairwell landing in Grossmann Hall (now Founders Hall). It was a nice way to relax after a long day."

Some alumni indicated that the fountain occasionally glowed with color even in the years before it was illuminated.

"I remember the fountain sometimes showing bright green water," wrote Dr. LeRoy W. Schroeder '64 of Clarksburg, Md., a Wartburg chemistry major who later earned a Ph.D. in polymer and materials science. "It was rumored that one of my chemistry colleagues had put fluorescein (a dye) into the water."

Schroeder, now chief research chemist with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, added, "Fluorescein is approved for use in cosmetic and externally applied drugs. It should not be ingested."

Someone should have told the crows. Nancy Keel '64 of Muscatine remembers dead crows lying around the fountain after they apparently drank water dyed green for St. Patrick's Day.

And in the troubled Vietnam Era, Dr. Beth Hoover Langhorst '72 of Lake Oswego, Ore., recalls that chemistry majors turned the water red and left a sign protesting "The Blood of Kent State."

Brown became the color of choice for the Starbucks generation.

"Under cover of night, several of us endeavored to convert the fountain into a giant coffee urn," reported Andy Gebhard '90 of Minneapolis, Minn. "Despite our limited college-student budgets, we pooled our finances and purchased an insane quantity of instant coffee grounds, along with the appropriate portion of powdered nondairy creamer. We were wise enough not to drink any, but the sight and smell of flowing java made for a great memory."

Through the years, Luther Hall custodians faced recurring headaches resulting from fountain highjinks.

"Periodically, someone would fill the fountain with soap to create bubbles. It was such a mess: the fountain had to be shut down and cleaned up, creating much distress with the custodial staff," said Tom Murphy of Sumner, who foiled one of those attempts while working security in 1972-73.

In Rich Gordon's fountain feature story, Avery Bollman, Luther Hall chief custodian from 1965 to 1983, said "It would take six kids four or five days" to clean out the fountain after dye and detergent incidents. Coins also ended up in the fountain.

Dan Grey '82 of University Place, Wash., said Bollman once gave him the job of cleaning the fountain at the end of the season. "He told me to keep the change. He was that kind of nice man and a great boss."

Illumination and spray jets brought an end to the fish pond; the fountain was no longer a suitable environment for the goldfish, which for years spent the winters in the Luther Hall boiler room. The once commonplace student immersions in the fountain for initiation, engagements and other significant or insignificant occasions also declined, due to the administration's concern about possible electrical hazards associated with the underwater lighting.

Campus folklore perpetuated unfounded rumors about stiff penalties for wading in the fountain, even into the 1990s, when the once-foaming jets had slowed to a trickle and the lights no longer worked. Still, forays into the fountain persisted, particularly after graduation.

"I had not even heard of getting in the fountain after graduation," related Stephen L. Osborn '03, a nontraditional student who joined six fellow music therapy majors in the experience. "People were wondering about 'breaking the rules.' One of us quipped, 'What are they going to do, not let us graduate?' Then a moment of sober realization fell over the group as we realized that we all had a six-month internship to complete!"

The fountain has also served as an unlikely repository for vehicles.

"I recall a classmate who drove his car into the Wartburg fountain one night," said Jim Baseler '69 of Toms Brook, Va. "Sheriff Shinn stopped by to see what was going on and asked my classmate what he was doing. His reply was, 'I'm just checking the oil.'"

Dr. James Zeller '65 of Stockton, Calif., recalled an incident in his freshman year, when upperclassmen put a Volkswagon in

Courtesy Photo

POPPING THE QUESTION – Several months before Commencement 1990, Jeff Bergan '87 had a dream: He and Sharyn Schroeder '90 would walk over to the fountain, where he would reach into his pocket, pull out a ring and ask her to marry him. "Fifteen years and four kids later, I can say that dreams do come true," said Bergan.

the pond – "CAREFULLY – so as to not damage anything."

Wartburg groundskeeper Jim Anderson and his snowplow ended up in the fountain several years ago when he drove too close to the edge while clearing the sidewalk.

Despite ongoing maintenance and renovation, the fountain deteriorated.

"It was not holding water very well, and the upper bowl was in danger of collapse," said Wuertz.

As part of the Saemann Student Center project, the college decided to replace the fountain, waiting until this past summer for the installation. Like the original fountain, class gifts helped fund the project, this time donated by the Classes of 1994 through 1999.

Wuertz said the intent was to keep the fountain in the same location and aesthetically similar to the original because of sentimentality and tradition. Constructed of glass fiber reinforced concrete, the new fountain stands in a raised pool illuminated by white lights.

"We had several suggestions about trying to save the old fountain but it was really beyond saving, and it crumbled during the removal process," Wuertz said.

Alumni share fountain memories

In the spring of 1942, one of the students came back from downtown Waverly and told some of us that the fish were running below the Cedar River Dam. About five of us scrounged some buckets, went to the foot of the dam and began picking 1-2 lb. carp from the pools formed by the rocks. When the pails were full, someone suggested that we put the fish in the fountain. The next morning, Dean Fritz called us into his office and informed us that the custodian, Charlie Pichelmeyer, had planted flowers around the fountain the day before, and we had trampled them. He suggested that the honorable thing to do was to apologize to Charlie and offer to help him replant the flowers. We apologized, but he said it wasn't necessary to help him replant.

-- Alfred W. Walck '42, Urbandale

When we were at my dad's Homecoming class reunion, the two us stood by the fountain, and Dad said to me, 'Wouldn't you like to come to school here next year?' I decided right then that I would, so we picked up an application to transfer to Wartburg the following year. I was accepted and began in the fall of 1987 and graduated in 1989 with my own memories of the fountain and Wartburg.

– Lori Hesterberg Bednarz '89, Rantoul, Ill., daughter of Robert Hesterberg '61, Gifford, Ill.

The fountain at night was always a special place where I gained both peace in the calm night air and creative energy from the colored bubbling waters. I count it as among my top three fountains in the world (along with the Geffion fountains in Copenhagen and the Chaillot fountains in Paris).

– Dr. Gwen George Luepke '77, Des Moines

When we were sophomores and dating, we were thrown into the fish pond early on Outfly morning. The water was COLD, and there was mud at the bottom!

– John '57 and Carla Karsten '57 Beem, Miltona, Minn.

The fountain, with its beautiful night lights, gave me a feeling of peace no matter how hectic college life was. It was always there.

– Michele Vaudt Evans '90, Eagan, Minn.

I was a freshman at Wartburg in 1961 and remember standing in the fountain during freshman orientation. The sophomore girls ordered us to do that along with having our beds short-sheeted and having to stand in the toilets at Wartburg Hall for seven flushes!

– Donna Bach Hove '69, West Dundee, Ill.

I lived in Wartburg Hall 405 my freshman and sophomore years. This four-girl room overlooked the fountain. We spent many nights listening to the fountain burble and splash, talking over events of the day and goals for our lives. Our junior year in a different dorm, we had to have an aquarium in our room to give us some bubbling water noises. I often think of the fountain, of listening to it splash and watching our room become a different color as the fountain lights changed from red to blue to yellow to green.

– Julie James Breitbach '73, Waverly

My favorite memory was being a part of the pep band and standing by the fountain serenading the ladies of Wartburg Hall on a Friday night before a football game. Cool, crisp nights, fingers nipped by the cold brass, seeing one's breath while playing the "Fight Song," and hearing the cheers from an appreciative group of gals hanging their heads out the windows - it was a good time... and it never got old.

– Chuck Ciorba '66, Appleton, Wis.

I remember that a group of us from Clinton Hall decided to empty the fountain with our wastebaskets. Dean Oppermann confronted us and explained that if we wanted to continue our Wartburg experience, we should "re-think" our plan. At the time I was holding a full basket of water, which I returned to its original location.

– Denny Bigelow '65, Cedar Falls

THOUGHTFUL SILENCE -- Members of the campus community gathered in the Wartburg Chapel Sept. 7 for a prayer service focused on hurricane victims. The service was one of the many ways alumni, students and faculty and staff members have responded to the recent disasters.

Wartburg responds to Hurricane Katrina

In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, the campus community responded with prayer and a promise to serve where needed.

"With our nation and the world, members of the Wartburg College community have watched, waited and prayed over the tragic aftermath of Hurricane Katrina," said President Jack R. Ohle at Opening Convocation Sept. 6. "But it is not the spirit of Wartburg to remain passive. As a community and as an institution, Wartburg will respond to the needs of Katrina's victims immediately and in the months and possibly years to come. Our mission compels us to action."

The campus community gathered Sept. 7 at a prayer service in Wartburg Chapel. Campus offices closed for the service. "As a college of the church, we profess the power of prayer as well as our need for prayer in the face of death and destruction," Ohle said.

The college also offered to accept transfer students from colleges and universities affected by Katrina, allowing them to stay for one semester or longer. Falone Ruth, a senior, has enrolled here to complete her degree.

In addition, the college offered several venues for the contribution of funds and supplies toward disaster relief and recovery. Students were also offered students an opportunity to learn more about the Katrina aftermath.

"As citizens, students will be able to contribute actively in our nation's ongoing discussions about disaster preparedness," Ohle said.

The last phase of the college's disaster response put Wartburg in contact with affected alumni, partners in the Lutheran Church and other organizational partners about the best ways Wartburg can contribute to the clean-up and recovery in Louisiana and Mississippi.

"It is still too early to know the timetable when volunteers may be needed or what tasks may be required, but when those requests are known Wartburg will answer," Ohle said. "Wartburg has sent service trips to the area in the past, and we will return again when needed. We will also call upon our students, faculty, staff and alumni for a generous response."

Ohle also asked a group of students, faculty and staff to coordinate Wartburg's response to Katrina. The new Center for Community Engagement is the organizational hub for this response, and there will be many opportunities for leadership across campus, he said.

"This is a disaster without parallel, affecting some of the poorest of the poor in our country," Ohle explained. "We now have the opportunity to respond and we have the duty to understand as we live out our college commitment to leadership and service."

Trumpet

The 2005-06 academic year marks the 100th anniversary of the *Trumpet* and its predecessor publications.

The first formal college student publication was the *Wartburg Quarterly*, approved by President Otto Kraushaar during the 1905-06 academic year with the caveat that the students would have to finance it.

The first issue was 26 pages, most of it literary essays in German and English. *The Quarterly* covered sports such as baseball, tennis and gymnastics, but not football or basketball. Subscriptions cost 50 cents per year for four issues.

G.J. Neumann was the first editor. When he went on to teach English at Wartburg, he was elected in 1910 as the *Quarterly* adviser.

The journal-style *Quarterly* made way for a newspaper in November 1926, but it had no name until a month later, when it became *The Clarion*. It was a monthly until 1928, when it began to publish every two weeks. When the college found its permanent home in Waverly, *The Clarion* ceased to exist.

The Trumpet first appeared in October 1936. Walter Fredrick, Jr. '39, who later became the college's vice president for financial affairs, suggested the name. The paper had no office until space was found on the second floor of Old Main.

BANNER YEAR -- This banner hangs above the west entrance to McElroy Communication Arts Center as part of the Wartburg *Trumpet's* 100th anniversary observance.

celebrates 100-year mark

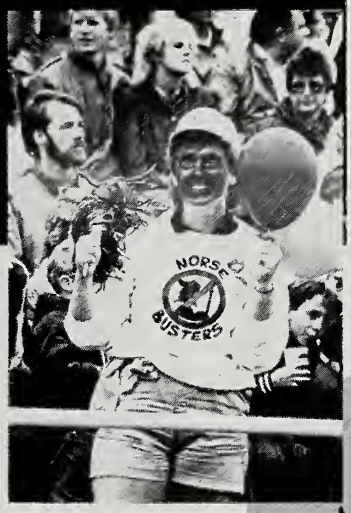

Photo John Kirchoff '86, courtesy of Trumpet archives

BEAT LUTHER – Dressed in her full "Norse Busters" regalia, Tammy Versluis Burlis '87 cheers on Wartburg's football team in its 23-14 win over arch-rival Luther. This picture appeared in the Oct. 29, 1984, issue.

Subscriptions were $1 per year, and students had to subscribe, because there was no activity fee at that time. The staff relied on alumni, friends, townspeople and advertising to support the paper.

The first year, the *Trumpet* published 15 issues, two per month. The following year saw 16 four-page issues. An eight-page format was adopted in 1938.

Under Omar Bonderud '50, the *Trumpet* became a weekly publication. During his two years as editor, the Associated Collegiate Press awarded the paper its first All-American rating.

Over the years, the *Trumpet* underwent many changes. In the mid-1960s, the paper went to offset printing. Typewriters gave way to computers in the late 1980s, but it was not until 1998 the paper switched from a paste-up process to desktop publishing.

From its first office space in Old Main, the *Trumpet* eventually settled in the Publications House, located on Ninth Street NW on land now occupied by Bachman Fine Arts Center. Later, it moved to Neumann House across from Neumann Auditorium. In 1992, McElroy Communication Arts Center opened in the former Liemohn Hall of Music. One wing of the building is named in honor of Margaret Wolff Garland, Wartburg professor and publications adviser from 1946 to 1973.

Garland influenced a number of Wartburg students who later became journalists, writers and editors. Among them was Robert Gremmels '52, a *Trumpet* editor who later headed the college's Alumni and Public Affairs offices and taught journalism courses. When Garland retired, he succeeded Garland as *Trumpet* adviser and developed the journalism program into a communication arts department that he chaired until his retirement in 1993. John Schmeltzer '67, a *Chicago Tribune* reporter, has the distinction of being the college's only Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist.

The *Trumpet* will celebrate its anniversary by co-sponsoring a Jan. 17 performance of Freedom Sings, a program from the First Amendment Center. Professional singers and musicians will perform songs that have been banned by government, censored by radio or have offended a significant percentage of the American public. The free program will begin at 7 p.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

This package was compiled by Erica Swanson '06, Trumpet *features editor, an English major from Cottage Grove, Minn., and Tara Lewin '07, assistant features editor, a writing major from Cedar Rapids.*

Trumpet trouble

For Linda Stull Moeller '66, being editor of the *Trumpet* spelled trouble.

Trouble, that is, over some confusion between dancing and lovemaking.

Working late one night in the "Pub House," Moeller and *Trumpet* staff member Jack Eden '67 decided to try a new dance step between two rows of manual typewriters. Soon, campus security guard Ron Shinn, better known as "Sheriff Shinn," walked in on Moeller and Eden. He demanded the two to leave, as "lovemaking" was not tolerated in that area.

"I was surprised, because he just stormed in," said Moeller. "I knew we weren't doing anything wrong." To make matters worse, the two were told they had to leave immediately. However, they convinced Shinn to let them stay and finish work on the *Trumpet*.

The next morning, Moeller was called to the office of Earnest Oppermann, dean of students. Thankfully, Oppermann understood the circumstances, and the newspaper staffers were not punished.

Moeller is now director of Wartburg College communication and marketing. She is a benevolent manager; dancing in the office's long hallway is always allowed.

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s of Excellence

BEANIE TIME – This photo appeared in the Sept. 11, 1965 issue of the *Trumpet*. First-year students wore orange beanies, a part of the sophomore-imposed initiation process. The students were expected to "button" in deference to upperclassmen (as shown right), sing songs and recite nursery rhymes, among other things.

Karris Golden

YEAR OF SOCIAL WORK – The college kicked off its "Year of Social Work and Social Justice" celebration at Opening Convocation Sept. 6. On hand for the event were Fred Hagemann '67, chair of the Board of Regents; Jane Hartman '68, president/CEO of Lutheran Services in Iowa and chair of the Social Work National Advisory Board; President Jack R. Ohle; Walter Reed Jr. '76, keynote speaker and a member of the advisory board; and Dr. Susan Kosché Vallem '66, chair of the social work department.

Social work department observes 60th anniversary

For generations, Wartburg was viewed as a college that produced social workers and teachers.

So it should come as no surprise that college holds the distinction of housing the first undergraduate social work program in Iowa and one of the oldest in the Midwest.

"One of the many things that makes Wartburg College distinctive is a tradition of leadership and service," explained Dr. Susan Kosché Vallem '66, chair of the department. "This tradition of leadership and service goes back in Wartburg's history – at both the Wartburg Castle and the college."

This year, the college celebrates "The Year of Social Work and Social Justice," marking the 60th anniversary of its social work department.

Wartburg traces part of its commitment to social justice and awareness to St. Elizabeth. "I always say St. Elizabeth is Wartburg's first social worker," said Vallem, who has researched the department and Wartburg women's history. "Through my visits to Bratislava, Slovakia, Wartburg Castle in Eisenach, Germany, and the Elizabeth Church in Marburg, Germany, I have been able to gather a sketchy biography of St. Elizabeth."

During the 13th century, Elizabeth, the wife of a landgrave, lived at the Wartburg Castle. Her concern for the poor led to the establishment of a hospice at the foot of the castle grounds.

According to legend, Elizabeth smuggled bread and leftovers from the castle kitchen to share with the poor. The practice was strictly forbidden, so she hid the food in her robes. When accosted by suspicious courtiers on a food-smuggling trip, Elizabeth told them she was carrying bread. When they demanded that she open her robes, the hidden bread had turned to roses, which fell to the ground. She was canonized in 1235, a year after her death at the age of 24.

"I knew that Wartburg Castle had a … great heritage of music and education," Vallem said. "I wondered if Wartburg Castle had a charitable heritage as well. Indeed it did, and it was then that I became acquainted with St. Elizabeth."

The spirit of St. Elizabeth is alive and well in the work students do today, Vallem adds. Although the social work program is the oldest in the state, it continues to pave the way for future students and social workers. The department is currently developing a gerontology certification program.

"It's my hope that we can get scholarship funding for students interested in such careers," Vallem said. "We also want to raise awareness about the level of funding for eldercare programs."

It is through such programs that students are allowed to discover and claim their callings, she added. Clubs and programs within the department also assist in raising awareness for the social work community.

In December 2004, the Social Work Club received an Above and Beyond Award from Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack. The award honored the club for its organization of Holiday Shoppe, an annual event to raise funds for families on public assistance in Bremer County.

Students complete Social Work quilt

by Kayla Becker '08

In honor of the social work department's 60th anniversary, "The Quilted Story of Social Justice" was displayed in the Bachman Fine Arts Center lobby this fall.

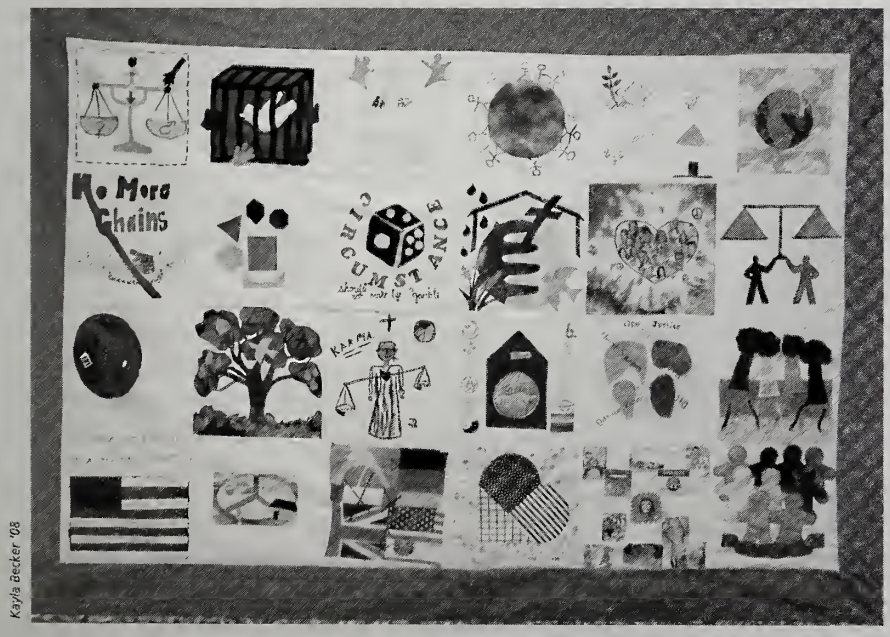
The quilt depicts students' interpretations of social justice, accompanied by explanations of the visual images. It was created during Winter Term 2005 by Dr. Tammy Faux's Inquiry Studies class, Living in a Diverse World: The Story of Social Justice.

"I have learned how my own culture influences my beliefs, values and norms and how diversity enriches my own life and society," wrote Whitney Mitvalsky '07 of Waverly.

The course and quilt project helped others understand issues discussed in class. "My definition of social justice is as follows: the fair treatment of all people regardless of race, age, gender, religion or any other differences so that all people are seen as individuals rather than labels," said Andrew Secory '07 of Clear Lake.

Kathryn Nelson '07 of Rochester, Minn., agreed. "Every idea we studied brought new perspective and understanding toward a single definition: Social justice is the principle of moral righteousness in equality, fairness of opportunity and freedoms in any and every aspect of life without regard to social differences, including but not limited to economics, gender, race, religion, or sexual preference," she said.

– Becker is an English major from Jesup.



Kayla Becker '08

SEWN TOGETHER – Students in Dr. Tammy Faux's Inquiry Studies course, The Story of Social Justice, designed the above quilt. Each student created a block for "The Quilted Story of Social Justice."

CHICAGO – High school students participating in the Diakonia youth leaders program and their Wartburg mentors traveled to Chicago for a service project at Holy Family Lutheran Church.

Applications for summer leadership institute available

The first Summer Institute for the Thrivent Initiative for Diakonia Youth Leaders program took place June 25 through July 1. The program is funded by a grant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and provides high school students the opportunity to develop leadership skills.

Through the program, the students develop a community service project to be implemented in their home communities. Wartburg Youth Leadership Mentors work with the high school students as advisers during the Summer Institute and throughout the year as they work on their community service projects.

To apply for the June 12-18 session, go to www.wartburg.edu/leadership/thrivent Applications are due March 15.

*View*points from the Board of Regents

Lynne Shotwell

Home: Glenview, Ill.; other residences – Phelps, Wis., and Naples, Fla.
Family: husband, Alfred H. "Chip" Shotwell III; daughter and son-in-law, Molly and Cy, and grandson Buckley; and son, Henley Shotwell.
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Forming a bond

I am not a Wartburg alumna but feel an unbelievably strong bond. Perhaps my feelings and views are different because I see it from a different vantage point.

My parents developed a friendship with Robert Vogel '54, former college president. President Vogel asked my father, Elmer Wavering, to come to campus on various occasions to speak to students about his business expertise. He was a mesmerizing speaker and storyteller. He felt Wartburg was such a perfect place for young people to learn and study in an academically nurturing atmosphere – living together and studying together.

Merging faith and learning

My father understood the importance of the church in the success of a Wartburg education. President Vogel asked my parents to give a substantial gift for a chapel. They agreed, and the momentum began and quickly grew.

After the chapel was built, the need for more physical improvements was realized. Wartburg had to compete in the marketplace for the top students. Additions came to the campus, from the Classroom Technology Center to, most recently, Saemann Student Center and a truly remarkable Science Center.

An unbelievable amount of change has physically come to the campus, but through my many years on the board, I have always seen the strength of the school in the professors, the bright and dedicated students and the most important part, the faith-based learning a college of the church can offer. A college education extends far beyond the academic classroom; it is a life experience. Wartburg provides an exceptional life experience.

Connecting

I am a member of the Board of Regents' Institutional Advancement committee (IAC). The responsibilities are many. For a college to succeed academically, it needs to maintain its facilities and programs at a level equal or superior to its peers.

In 2000, the IAC faced the need to take a great leap forward. Previous to that time, the largest single gift to the school (by far) had been $1 million from a living individual. The board then set out to raise funds for the improvements needed to out physical plant, faculty and academic programs. The number was $88 million. We were scared to death, but we needed to raise the money. The board set out on its mission. To date we have raised $82 million.

Wartburg is an extraordinary place. It is a huge part of my life and it is with great pride that I will continue with my contributions of both time and money.

Putting her 'begs in one asket'

Annabel Lorenzen

It's a clever quip Jan Welsch Striepe '59 will not forget: "I don't like to put all my begs in one asket."

This was one of the many cherished quotes her dear friend, Annabel Lorenzen, shared. "When I would visit her, she would always have a new quote for me," Striepe said.

Lorenzen, 82, formerly of Rockwell, bequethed $1.1 million from her estate to Wartburg. She died in January 2004.

Striepe met the donor nearly 20 years ago, shortly after Lorenzen's husband, Walt, died. "The first time I called on her, we had a very nice visit," Striepe recalled. "She was very interested in education and she loved music. She would tell me that she was never lonely because she was surrounded by her 'good friends' – her library."

This initial encounter led to Lorenzen's increased involvement with Wartburg. She became a patron of the college's music students and programs. She also took part in the 1989 Alumni Tour to New York City for the Wartburg Choir's first performance at Carnegie Hall.

"She later joked that she wished she had gone on stage after all of the lights were out to sing a song," Striepe said. "That way, she said, she could tell people she had sung in Carnegie Hall."

"Over the years, we visited with Annabel about deferred gifts," explained David Ostrander, vice president for institutional advancement. "She assured us she would leave part of her estate to the college, but she did not indicate it would be such a sizable amount. We have always been grateful for her generous support, and this gift will continue to serve current and future Wartburg students."

Striepe said that was Lorenzen's way. "She helped others, but she did it in a very quiet, unassuming way. She was very discreet; Annabel didn't want any recognition for her gifts. She had a very nice philosophy about sharing."

Lorenzen's passions were music and helping young people. Early on she established an annually funded scholarship for music students and later developed meaningful relationships with the recipients.

Education was very important to (Annabel)," said Lorenzen's sister-in-law Diane Maltby of Marion. "Another favorite quote of hers was if you love what your occupation is, you'll never have to work again."

Great Expectations: More than just a scholarship

by Alaina Akkerman '06

It is a simple idea David Ostrander has mulled over throughout his career in higher education. "How can institutions provide scholarships while teaching philanthropy?"

A plan took shape. Today, that plan is the Great Expectations Scholarship.

The concept is simple, said Ostrander, vice president for institutional advancement. Each year, eligible students receive a $1,000 scholarship. In return, they are asked to consider paying back the amount -- $4,000 -- over the course of 20 years.

The scholarship is intended to create a partnership between the contributor, the student, and the college. Wartburg created the scholarship to renew the vision of philanthropy among the college's alumni and students, Ostrander explained.

With less than 10 percent of Wartburg alumni contributing cumulative lifetime gifts of more than $4,000, the goal of Great Expectations is to receive a "gift back" from 100 percent of the scholarship recipients. The goal of the program is to award every Wartburg student demonstrating financial need a Great Expectations Scholarship.

Ostrander said the Great Expectations Scholarship conveys two expectations: the college has high goals for students and the scholarship program will reap many benefits in the future. The hope is scholarship recipients will contribute back the amount of the scholarships and become lifelong donors to Wartburg.

"I met my wife, Sarah, at Wartburg," said Jack Salzwedel '82 of Waunakee, Wis. "She majored in social work, and I'm establishing a Great Expectations Scholarship for social work majors as a birthday gift for her this year. It's rewarding to think that our gift now will not only help so many students, but encourage giving for generations to come."

Each scholarship recipient will meet with the vice president for institutional advancement at the outset of his or her first term and again before graduation. The meetings allow the student to review the expectations of the scholarship and understand the positive impact philanthropic actions can create, Ostrander said.

Recipients will also be asked to sign an agreement, making a good faith effort to pay back the scholarship through contributions each year. The agreement is not binding but rather an initiative to begin a philanthropic habit, Ostrander explained. If they wish, Great Expectations contributors will have the opportunity to maintain contact with their scholarship recipient(s). An ongoing relationship of encouraging, congratulating, teaching and instilling values will be formed, said Ostrander.

-- Akkerman is a communication arts major from Dike.

How the Great Expectations Scholarship works:

You make a gift of $50,000 in one of three ways:

- An outright gift of $50,000;
- $10,000 per year for five years; or
- Contributions spread over a number of years, not to exceed 14 years.

Your gift provides a $1,000 scholarship to an entering first-year student, renewable for up to four years.

Each student will be asked to contribute the $4,000 over time as a way of encouraging philanthropy and perpetuating the scholarship for others.

Encouragement is provided by donors -- at whatever level they decide -- and by the institutional advancement staff.

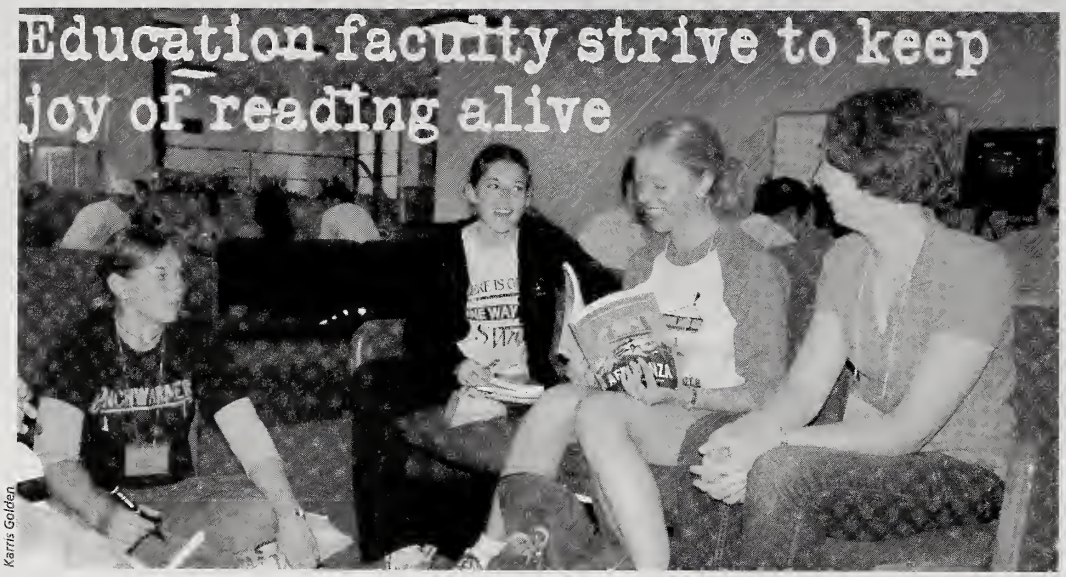
Year	Donor Gift	scholarship(s) Amount/yr	individual student recipient Gift/yr	cumulative student recipients Gifts/yr
1	$50,000	$1,000	$10	10
2		$2,000	$10	20
3		$3,000	$10	30
4		$4,000	$10	40
5		$4,000	$25	65
6		$4,000	$50	115
7		$4,000	$75	190
8		$4,000	$100	290
9		$4,000	$125	415
10		$4,000	$150	565
11		$4,000	$200	765
12		$4,000	$250	1,015
13		$4,000	$250	1,265
14		$4,000	$300	1,565
15		$4,000	$350	1,915
16		$4,000	$400	2,315
17		$4,000	$400	2,715
18		$4,000	$425	3,140
19		$4,000	$425	3,565
20		$4,000	$435	4,000
	$50,000		$4,000	

*From year 20 on, total recipient gifts into the fund equal the scholarships awarded from the fund to perpetuate the scholarship forever.

For more information, contact 319-352-8495.

Keeping their noses in books

Education faculty strive to keep joy of reading alive



Karris Golden

CLUBBING – Students in Dr. Cheryl Budlong's Human Relations course joined with members of her book club to read and discuss Scott Simon's *Affluenza.*

by Karris Golden '98

If Wartburg's education department faculty members have a say, the love of a good book won't be lost as students trudge ahead into the age of technology.

Real books – you know, the kind made using paper, not a computer monitor – are still important educational tools, says Dr. Susan Sherwood, professor of education.

As a result, part of the training she provides her reading students is how to effectively present a book to young children.

Nestled in the Vogel Library's Curriculum Wing, Sherwood's students fan out cross-legged on the floor around Sherwood as she reads books like *The Man Who Walked Between The Towers* by Mordacai Gerstein.

As Sherwood turns the colorful pages and injects emotion into the tale, it's easy to get the impression this is merely a nice diversion from more traditional course work.

Nothing could be further from the truth; reading time is *learning* time, Sherwood notes.

"Reading, enjoying, *sharing* the book is how we as educators teach our students to love reading," she explains to her students. "If you have a passion for it, it shows."

And it's a passion that educators must continue to instill throughout the entire educational experience, says Dr. Cheryl Budlong, chair of the education department.

During May Term 2004, she taught two human relations sections using a book club atmosphere.

Budlong belongs to a book club in the Cedar Falls area that has met for nearly nine years, and she merged the group with her human relations classes.

Both sections and the club read *Affluenza* by Scott Simon, which focuses on societal "overabundances and excesses."

Budlong scheduled the classes in a residence hall lounge area. "I believe this is more conducive to discussion," she explains.

Each class divided into four groups that included two book club members and eight Wartburg students. They focused discussions on symptoms, causes and treatments, digging into the book's themes and topics and generational and cultural differences.

When the entire class reconvened to share, book club members said it was nice to see students cared about issues of environmental resource consumption. Meanwhile, many students said it is easy for them to pick apart societal problems because they "don't have any money." How will they feel and behave when they can afford some of the "finer things" in life?

Budlong's experiment in bringing together her book club with her students seemed to work: When the first class was over, the students didn't want to stop talking to the book club members.

Eventually, Budlong had to shepherd the first class out of the room so the next wave of students could enter.

Dr. Diane McCarty, a former elementary school principal, continues to create young readers among older elementary school students.

McCarty, associate professor of education, makes regular trips to Pat Leonhart's classroom at Denver Elementary School.

Her ongoing project focuses on individual and group reading. Using books such as *What's in Your Back Yard* by Andrew Solway, McCarty reads to the class.

"After presenting the book, I create projects for the class that bring the book to life," McCarty explains. "For example, one of the students' projects is to take a disposable camera home and take photos of what's in their own backyards to share with the class. It combines a fun project with writing something about their own experiences, which helps reinforce the book's message."

What are you reading?

I've recently finished reading *Madam Secretary: A Memoir,* by Madeleine Albright. Her early life as a Czech refugee is every bit as fascinating as her work as United Nations Ambassador and Secretary of State. The prose is delightful to read, and it's interesting to see how Albright's political life is informed by her experiences as a woman, wife and mother.

– The Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kleinhans, chair of the religion and philosophy department

Wartburg posts 10th year of record enrollment

by Linda Moeller '66

The largest first-year class in history enrolled at Wartburg this year as the college posted its 10th consecutive year of record enrollment.

According to Dr. Edith Waldstein '73, vice president for enrollment management, Wartburg's 2005-06 enrollment is 1,811, an increase over last year's total of 1,804. Wartburg enrolled 519 new, first-year students, compared with 499 in 2004.

"We also enrolled slightly more men than women in the first-year class," said Waldstein, noting that across the country, women outnumber men at nearly all coeducational colleges. The first-year class is comprised of 52 percent men and 48 percent women. Overall, Wartburg enrolls 53 percent women and 47 percent men.

Students come from 24 U.S. states and 37 other countries. A total of 113 U.S. diversity students and 94 international students comprise 11.4 percent of the student body.

Waldstein said the college's academic profile remains high.

"Thirty-one percent of incoming students ranked in the top 10 percent of their high school class, and 62 percent of ranked in the top quarter," she noted. "The average ACT score of the first-year class is 24, and the average high school grade point average among these students is 3.56."

Wartburg President Jack R. Ohle said the opening of the college's Science Center appears to have had a positive impact on enrollment in the sciences.

"We think students appreciate the new laboratories and classrooms as well as expanded opportunities to pursue research with their professors in the new building," Ohle said. Wartburg's largest majors, in rank order, are business administration, biology, communication arts, elementary education and psychology.

Ohle said he is pleased that Wartburg maintained its ranking as Iowa's top comprehensive college in *U.S. News & World Report's* 2006 edition of "America's Best Colleges" and was included once again on *The Princeton Review's* list of Best Midwestern Colleges.

Campus leader hospitalized

Doug Bowman '86, dean of admissions and financial aid, was hospitalized in September after suffering a hemorrhagic stroke.

Bowman was airlifted to University Hospitals in Iowa City Sept. 12, where he was listed in critical condition. Doctors confirmed he had suffered a severe stroke and accompanying paralysis on his left side.

After Bowman's condition improved, he was moved to Covenant Medical Center in Waterloo, and he returned to his home in November.

Linda Moeller

ORDINATION MILESTONES – Several Wartburg faculty and staff members celebrated ordination milestones at the start of the 2005-06 academic year. They are, front row from left: The Rev. Judith Jones, assistant professor of religion, ordained as an Episcopal priest last summer; the Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kleinhans, associate professor of religion, 20th anniversary; the Rev. Ramona Bouzard, director of church relations and associate in campus ministry, 25th anniversary; the Rev. Bonita Bock and the Rev. Nelson Bock, co-directors of Wartburg West, 25th anniversary; and the Rev. Larry Trachte '66 (back row, right), college pastor, 35th anniversary. On hand was the Rev. Nancy Larson (back row, left), assistant to the bishop of the Northeastern Iowa Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Abby Lichty '07

FRESH FACES – Three new staff members have joined Wartburg as part of the new Center for Community Engagement. They are, from left, Joan Trebon, school partnership coordinator; Daniel Kittle, community partnership coordinator; and Jo Lynn Dorrance, internship coordinator.

College opens Center for Community Engagement

A new Center for Community Engagement greeted students this fall.

The center's purpose is to encourage Wartburg's identity as a civically engaged institution and to support multiple community partnerships for learning, scholarship and service in community contexts, said Dr. Ferol Menzel, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty.

"Growing out of the *Discovering and Claiming our Callings Initiative*, the center will provide assistance to students, staff and faculty who are interested in developing school, work or service partnerships as a part of a course, a program of study or a co-curricular activity," Menzel added.

Dr. Daniel Kittle serves as the community partnership coordinator; Jo Lynn Dorrance serves as the internship coordinator; and Joan M. Trebon serves as the school partnership coordinator. Dr. Lake Lambert, *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings Initiative* director and Board of Regents Chair in Ethics, serves as director of the center. Dr. Fredric A. Waldstein '74, professor of political science, director of the Institute for Leadership Education, is also involved with the work of the Center.

New faces since Fall 2004

ROB ANDERSON is assistant director of residential life and residence hall director of the Manors and Knights Village. He received a Bachelor of Music degree in applied music performance from Viterbo University in La Crosse, Wis., and a master's degree in college student development administration from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. He previously worked as residence hall coordinator and residence life educational programs coordinator at the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

KIMBERLY BABCOCK '02, information literacy librarian, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wartburg and a Master of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She previously worked as project assistant/librarian at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

DR. ISSIAKA DIAKITE, lecturer in French, was an instructor at Nicolls State University in Thibodaux, La., prior to Wartburg. He received a teaching certificate in modern languages from Ivory Coast in Africa, a master's degree from the National University of Guinea and a Ph.D. from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

JO LYNN DORRANCE, internship coordinator, worked as director of marketing communication for the World Wildlife Fund in Washington, D.C., before coming to Wartburg. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in mass communication and English from Iowa State University in Ames.

MARGARET EMPIE, director of dining services, received a Bachelor of Science degree in dietetics and food service administration from the University of Wisconsin-Stout and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. She is a Food Management Professional with TIPS and Serve-Safe certification. Previously, she worked as assistant director of dining for catering and retail services at UNI.

LIS ERICKSON '97, associate director of alumni and parent programs and music tour coordinator, served as assistant sports information director at Michigan State University in East Lansing before coming to Wartburg in January. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in communication arts from Wartburg and a master's degree in sports management from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

BETSY GIRSCH '04, admissions counselor, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in fitness management and business administration from Wartburg. She previously worked as a personal trainer at Lifetime Fitness in Plymouth, Minn.

JOSH JUDISCH '03, assistant men's soccer coach, also serves the Waverly-School Rock School District as an assistant varsity and head junior varsity boys coach. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education from Wartburg.

KENDRA KEHE '99, director of the annual fund, came to Wartburg after working as an admissions counselor at Marshalltown Community College. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wartburg and a Master of Arts degree from Iowa State University in Ames.

DANIEL KITTLE, community partnerships coordinator, received a Bachelor of Science degree in public relations and political science from Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio. He went on to earn a Master of Political Science and a doctorate in higher adult learning and education from Michigan State University in East Lansing. He previously served as community relations associate at MSU and was president of the Community Relations Coalition.

MARY KUNKLE, director of grants and development research, came to Wartburg in January after previously serving as economic development coordinator for the Iowa Northland Regional Council of Governments in Waterloo. She received a bachelor's degree in social work from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls and a master's degree in urban planning from Wayne State University in Detroit, Mich.

COLLIN LANE '05, assistant soccer coach, was a record-setting member of the Knights soccer team as a student. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education from Wartburg.

JIM LOUIS, assistant football coach, served as assistant coach at Minor State University in North Dakota the past five seasons. Prior to his stint in Minot, Louis was a graduate assistant at St. Cloud State. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology and Master of Arts degree in sports management from St. Cloud State.

SARAH MILLER, conference and events scheduling coordinator, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in marketing from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls and worked as catering and conference coordinator at UNI before coming to Wartburg.

THADDEAUS MORELOCK, Founders Hall residence hall director, is completing a bachelor's degree in Africana studies from Luther College in Decorah.

CHRIS ORTNER '01, assistant wrestling coach, previously led Columbus (Waterloo) High School to three consecutive top-seven finishes at the Class 2A state tournament. Ortner was a two-time All-American for Wartburg, where he earned a bachelor's degree in fitness management and physical education.

MICHAEL OXLEY, lecturer in music, received a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a Master of Music degree from the University of Cincinnati. Before Wartburg, Oxley was a voice instructor at Grinnell College.

HANS PREGLER, sound and light technician, came to Wartburg after working as associate producer at KWWL-TV in Waterloo. He received his associate's degree with an emphasis in technical theater and electronics from Indian Hills Community College in Ottumwa. He is completing a bachelor's degree in theatre from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

SCOTT SCHARA, assistant men's soccer coach, is also head coach of the Waverly-Shell Rock High School girls soccer program. Schara graduated from Coe College, Cedar Rapids, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in history in 2002.

COREY SMITH, lecturer in history, earned a Bachelor and Master of Arts degrees from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. He is currently a doctoral candidate at the University of Iowa in Iowa City and is a former lecturer of English and modern languages at Wartburg.

DR. STEPHANIE TOERING, assistant professor of biology, served as an adjunct assistant professor in biology at College of Saint Benedict/St. John's University in Minnesota prior to Wartburg. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry from Hope College in Holland, Mich., and her Ph.D. in biochemistry from Stanford University in Palo Alto, Calif.

TIFFANY TREANOR '05, assistant women's soccer coach, was an all-Iowa Conference selection for the Knights in 2004. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history.

JOAN TREBON, school partnerships coordinator, previously taught at Hansen Elementary School in Cedar Falls and was a student-teacher supervisor for the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. She received a bachelor's degree from Central College in Pella and her master's degree in elementary education from Viterbo University in La Crosse, Wis.

LORI WALLACE, graphic designer, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in art from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. Before coming to Wartburg, she served as senior graphic designer at H&R Block in Kansas City, Mo.

DAVID WENTE, technical specialist, previously worked as a support center specialist at CUNA Mutual Life Insurance Company in Waverly. He received a bachelor's degree in biology from Luther College in Decorah and completed the computer network technician program at Hawkeye Community College, Waterloo.

DAWN WIEGMANN, director of the Heath and Wellness Center, received her diploma in practical nursing from Western Iowa Tech Community College in Sioux City, where she went on to earn an associate's degree in nursing. Prior to Wartburg, she worked at Allen Hospital in Waterloo as an OB/GYN office nurse and billing specialist.

MATTHEW WILSON, assistant professor of art, received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the Kansas City Art Institute and a Master of Fine Arts degree from Yale University School of Art in New Haven, Conn. He previously worked as creative director of Creative Realities, Inc., in New Jersey.

CJ YERINGTON '03, residence hall director, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Wartburg and is completing a master's degree in mental health counseling at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. Prior to Wartburg, he worked as assistant coordinator for Cedar Valley Community Support Services in Waterloo.

Worth Repeating

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Karris Golden

Pastor Larry Trachte '66

It's only human that our first thoughts in the face of a disaster [like Katrina] are for ourselves! What will it cost me to commute to work, to my internship? What might this do to my insurance rates, my Wartburg tuition or my stock market investments? And what will be the long-term political and economic fall-out from such a disaster?

But then it finally hits us what it means to be the Church. The Church is not a collection of loose-knit acquaintances. The Church is not just a social gathering of friends. The Church is the very Body of Christ, the family of God, and these are our sisters, our brothers, our parents and grandchildren, our children, our own BODY!

– The Rev. Larry Trachte '66, college pastor, from his homily, *Left Behind*, at the first chapel service of the year Sept. 7. Read the entire message at http://www.wartburg.edu/katrina/.

This is study abroad. We talk about America as a land of freedom, chance and opportunity, and they do a good job hiding this type of life from me.

– Alexander Feldt '06 of Norman, Okla., in "Immersed in urban issues," which ran in the Aug. 11 *San Bernadino Sun*. Feldt worked at Central City Lutheran Mission in San Bernadino, Calif., after studying in England and Turkey.

In January 2003, I was asked to write a column for *Newsday's* Young Readers' Section. The purpose was to somehow say something of comfort to junior high-aged kids, most of whom lived in the New York City area and many of whom had lost family or acquaintances in the attacks on the World Trade Center. I know that helplessness is one of the worst feelings that often lingers with victims of crimes and must be overcome before the victim can get better.

The piece I ended up writing was entitled, *Step Up to the Plate.* In it, I tried to tell the young people who had been hurt by Sept. 11 that the best way to combat their feelings of helplessness was to start becoming leaders, not only preparing to become the adult leaders needed for tomorrow's challenges but by being leaders right now in their schools and communities.

– FBI whistleblower Coleen Cheney Rowley '77 of Apple Valley, Minn., who took her own advice and announced July 6 that she is running for U.S. Congress

I am the most blessed woman in the whole world. Who am I to be this respected? I do not have a good word I can use to explain how I feel about this. I just want to tell the Wartburg community together with Dr. (Craig A.) Hancock that I have no way to thank them. All I can do is ask our heavenly Father to bless all of you and keep you safe for all you do.

– Jenitha Kameli '01, a music teacher based in Bukoba, Tanzania, in an e-mail she sent after participants of an alumni tour delivered several instruments for her students

I had a very nice call from a California parent who moved his first-year student son to Wartburg this fall after the family chose Wartburg, sight unseen. They were well informed along the way and quite deliberate in their choice of Wartburg, but who doesn't have a little anxiety about whether the reality will play out comparably to the vision they had? The father said the campus, the welcome, the entire experience were all like a dream come true for him, his wife and his son. The long and short of it was that I was so glad for more evidence that Wartburg is, among many other more prestigious things, such an incredibly welcoming place. It must've been another weekend of Wartburg being Wartburg in the very best of senses.

– Meredith Temple, associate director of admissions

Karris Golden

Matt Lamos '06

At Wartburg, I am confident to say, I have a family. It may not be the one I grew up with, but it will be the one I grow old with.

– Student Body President Matt Lamos '06 of Waverly, in his remarks at Opening Convocation Sept. 6

You will remember that Dick and Millie Wiederanders were house parents in Grossmann Hall. One morning their car, a Henry J, appeared near the front entrance of Centennial Hall on the raised patio. Also, sometime along the way, some guys (certainly not members of the Class of 1958) met Dick in the stairwell of Grossmann with the fire hose as he came to quiet them down.

– Nancy Mista Anderson '58 of Waverly in a class letter recalling the 1955-56 academic year

Last weekend I picked up my daughter from YMCA camp. At the end-of-camp show, the counselors stood and told where they are going to college and what they are studying. Even the kid from Harvard didn't say much more than, 'I go to Harvard, and I am majoring in biochemistry.' However, one student said she was 'going to Wartburg College to major in education' and 'I'm going to Be Orange!' It was followed by a cheer. It is amazing how our college was the only one able to muster a branding moment at this camp of kids and parents. I know there is a lot of discussion going on that 'Be Orange' can't be the 'Be All' for Wartburg. At that moment on the banks of the Wapsipinicon River, it was all it needed to be and more.

– Mark Mathis of Mathis, Earnest and Vandeventer, the college's marketing consultant

I'm a big fan of one of our classmates in particular. We were both in Religion 101 our first semester at Wartburg. He didn't do so well on our first exam, and like a good student, he met with Dr. (Chip) Bouzard to discuss suggestions for improvement. Bouzard told him to pick out one of the girls who sat in the front row of class and looked like she took good notes. Bouzard said, 'Ask her to study; you might get a few dates out of the deal. Heck you might even marry her.' A couple days later Tyler (Ketelsen) came and found me in the library and asked me to go over the Old Testament with him. We're getting married in August.

– Lisa Jebsen '05 of La Crescent, Minn., in her Senior Dinner speech. She and Ketelsen were married Aug. 20

Worth Repeating

We do not claim that the next four years will anticipate every aspect of the rest of your life, but hopefully, you will draw from your days at Wartburg insight and strength for the battles you may later face in Vietnam, Watts, Suburbia or in your heart and mind.

– Dr. John Bachman, Wartburg's 13th president, in a Sept. 17, 1966, *Trumpet* column

Karris Golden

Walter Reed Jr. '76

As a student at Wartburg, I faced many challenges. One morning I woke up in Grossmann Hall and realized that no longer could I blame my shortcomings on anyone else. It dawned on me that I was in charge of my life and that I was responsible for my actions. My father, in one of those father-son talks, said to me, 'Every tub has to sit on its own bottom.' These words still ring in my head today. So today, I wave my magic wand, and just like that, all you students and adults who didn't know, now know you are now in charge of your lives. Make thoughtful, wise decisions, because the goal in life is to have more good days than bad days.

– Walter Reed Jr. '76, director of the Iowa Department of Human Rights, in his keynote address at Opening Convocation Sept. 6

Karris Golden

President Jack R. Ohle in his orange robe

The faculty and the returning students may be wondering if I have a new academic robe. In fact, the robe I am wearing today was worn by Dr. Samuel Meyer, the president of my undergraduate alma mater. I received one of the greatest gifts ever given to me just a few weeks ago when Dr. Meyer's son sent me his father's robe with a note that simply said his dad would have wanted me to have his robe. The colors of my undergraduate alma mater are orange and black, just like Wartburg's, and my robe, the robe that I wear at academic ceremonies, the robe I have worn since my inauguration, is black, trimmed in orange. I thought it was appropriate today, however, to wear this robe to honor a person who helped me when I was a student and later when I worked at Ohio Northern to see the importance of being a leader, but more important, a servant leader.

– President Jack R. Ohle in his remarks, *Being a Servant Leader*, at Opening Convocation Sept. 6

Walker named to new post

Former Annual Fund director Steve Walker '91 began work Aug. 1 as director of athletic development, a newly created position in the Development Office.

The job involves raising funds for the college's 19 men's and women's athletic programs; marketing and promotion of the Athletic Booster Club; coordinating Athletic Hall of Fame activities; and working with Rick Willis, director of athletics, on various projects.

Walker has worked at the college for 10 years, first in the Admissions Office and then with the Annual Fund.

"Steve's background in the athletic department and his work with the Annual Fund give him a strong background for this new position," said David Ostrander, vice president for institutional advancement.

Walker has assumed some of the duties previously handled by the assistant athletic director, a position that was not filled when Willis, also head football coach, was named interim director of athletics last spring, Ostrander added.

RIGHT BACK TO YOU – Lyndsi Clefisch '07 of Marion gets a strong backhand return in action from the home dual opener against Coe Sept. 10.

Millikin University Sports Information

BIG "D" – Kyle Goodchild '09 of Van Horne drives an opposing runner out of bounds.

Molly Richards '06

TEE SHOT – Andrea Schiltz '07 of Algona takes a practice swing as she begins the first round of the women's golf fall invitational Sept. 10.

Men's soccer standout takes unique path to Wartburg

by Mark Adkins '90

Harrison Kibombo-Lugujjo '07 took the road less traveled to Wartburg College.

The Iowa Conference 2004 men's soccer Most Valuable Player reached Waverly via Uganda and Norway. In two-plus seasons with head coach James Conlon's program, the native of Kampala, Uganda, has 46 goals, 10 assists and 102 points.

Kibombo-Lugujjo credits his love of soccer to his father, who followed international soccer on television.

"We watched a lot of the German Bundesliga growing up and even some of the English Premiership," Kibombo-Lugujjo recalled. "Watching those matches translated to playing like our heroes on a vacant lot close to my parents' home. "There wasn't a lot of structure to it, but we had fun."

He spent two years in a secondary school program at the Red Cross Nordic Unified World College in Norway, where he made a connection with Wartburg through a visit from Dave Fredrick '65, associate director of admissions for international recruiting.

"The things that impressed me most about Wartburg were that it was in a small town and the NCAA Division III philosophy," Kibombo-Lugujjo explained. "I didn't want to attend a large school."

After two years in Norway's snow and cold, he was glad to get to the United States and the *slightly* warmer Iowa winters.

"The conditions in Norway did take some getting used to," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "However, I warmed up to where I was at, getting to know a different culture. I took the same approach when I came to America. My first year at Wartburg was just about getting to know my surroundings and the culture."

Ashley Richards '08

SHOT ATTEMPT – Harrison Kibombo-Lugujjo '07 sends a corner kick toward an opposing goal in action from the 2005 season. The junior forward has led the Knights to back-to-back trips to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Division III national tournament.

Kibombo-Lugujjo compares his soccer style to that of international star Thierry Henry of England's Arsenal Football Club.

"(Henry) holds the ball to the midfield line and then makes a move with it deep in the opponent's end," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "It's all about his pace on offense, which is something I feel is important.

College soccer is much more physical than what Kibombo-Lugujjo was used to, he added. "When Coach Conlon suggested I get into the gym, I thought it was a strange idea. However, after having played in a few matches here, I could see why it was necessary. Coach Conlon has been great to work with as he always gives us an opportunity to do what we can on offense."

A chemistry major, Kibombo-Lugujjo plans to attend graduate school in engineering.

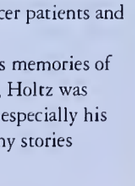
But what if a career in professional soccer comes calling? "It's a dream, but it's out there," he said.

He was featured in the Oct. 13 edition of *Sports Illustrated on Campus.*

Alumnus' daughter making difference in cancer fight

by Mark Adkins '90

It was a simple gesture from the Texas Rangers, but Cindy (Holtz) Kuster saw something bigger.



Mark Holtz '71

In August, her father, Mark Holtz '71, who for 17 seasons served as the voice of the Rangers, was posthumously inducted into the Texas Rangers Baseball Hall of Fame. The honor prompted Kuster to do something to fight the disease that claimed the lives of her father and her mother, Alice.

Holtz died in 1997 after a bone marrow transplant for treatment of leukemia. Alice Holtz passed away two years later after a long battle with endometrial cancer.

"When the Rangers held their press conference to announce the Hall of Fame inductees, we were told that my family would be given lifetime passes to the games," Kuster said. "My husband, Jeff, came up with an idea to give the tickets we don't use to cancer-stricken families for a night of fun at the ballpark."

Her husband's suggestion reminded her how important a ball game can be. "It's something that is obviously important to us after watching Mom and Dad succumb to the disease," she explained. "We loved them both very much, and we miss them every day."

The Hello Win Fund – named after Mark Holtz's trademark call when the Rangers posted a victory – was born following the press conference. Money raised in the fund supports the American Cancer Society and local Dallas/Fort Worth area cancer programs, such as the Ronald McDonald House.

The Kuster family will also donate Rangers tickets for 50 to 60 games each season to cancer patients and their families.

"Dad always used to talk about his memories of Wartburg," Kuster said. As a student, Holtz was director of KWAR-FM. "He loved it, especially his friends in Cotta House. I heard so many stories growing up about Wartburg."

Men's tennis players earn scholar awards

Blake Flores '05 of Dysart and Mark Giesmann '05 of Waverly were named to the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's Division III Scholar Athlete list, released in July.

Flores, a communication arts major, was a May graduate, with a 3.54 grade-point average. Giesmann majored in engineering and mathematics and graduated in May with a 3.92 grade-point average. They are the first Wartburg men's or women's tennis players to earn the honors and were among 202 Division III men's players on the list.

Buttry, Moen begin post-collegiate careers

Former All-American men's and women's cross country and track standouts Josh Moen '05 and Missy Buttry '05 posted strong starts in their post-collegiate running careers.

Buttry, a member of Team Running U.S.A. of Mammoth Lakes, Calif., competed in three races in Europe in June and July. Her high-water mark was placing No. 3 among top Americans at a 3,000-meter race at Lapeenrenta, Finland, with a personal best time of 8:59.53.

Moen, a member of Hanson's Running Club of Rochester, Mich., took seventh in the U.S. Track and Field 5K championships in Providence, R.I., Sept. 11. He competed in November at the USATF10K championships in Mobile, Ala., and will participate in the USATF winter cross country championships.

Former assistant continues baseball interaction

Brent Matthias '92 has a passion for America's pastime.

Summer trips to Puerto Rico as a coach for the Coast-to-Coast Baseball tour to the Verano Series fuel the fire.

"It's been a few years since I helped Coach (Joel) Holst but the fire is still there," said Matthias, director of alumni and parent programs and former Wartburg assistant baseball coach.

Matthias and the rest of the Coast-to-Coast Baseball entourage departed for San Juan, Puerto Rico, in July for 12 games against members of the Puerto Rican Junior National team.

The Coast-to-Coast group was broken down into four teams with Matthias serving as head coach of the U.S.A. Knights. His team finished 2-4 on the trip.

"Being a head coach was a great experience," Matthias said. "The players were awesome to work with, and we had a lot of fun on and off the field."

Highlights from the trip included touring old San Juan and practicing at the former interim home of the Montreal Expos, he added.

"I was very impressed with how these talented young men set aside their egos for the week and thought about nothing but the team," Matthias said. "I'm sure what they did in Puerto Rico will help them as individuals down the road."

Student-athletes get European summer experience

by Mark Adkins '90

An opportunity through American International Sports Tours gave Wartburg softball players Stephanie Howe '07 and Jackie Sorensen '06 the chance of a lifetime last summer.

They were part of a group that toured Holland and played in the Robur 58 tournament in Appeldoorn July 1-12.

"It opened my eyes to the different cultures in the world," Sorensen said. "The first day of trip, we were in Amsterdam, wearing all different colors, and the townspeople were wearing white. We got a lot of weird looks."

Sorensen enjoyed the cultural immersion, she added. "It was great to meet the people of Holland. They were extremely friendly. It was an experience I think everyone should have."

Courtesy Photo

ON THE FIELD – Jackie Sorensen '06 of Tiffin sends in a strike during the Robur 58 tournament.

In addition, Howe and Sorensen got a lot out of the competitive side of the trip, helping lead AIST's South squad to a third-place finish in the tournament. The U.S.A. Athletes Institute team won the tourney with an 8-0 record, despite a narrow 1-0 win over the South team in one of their two meetings.

"We usually don't get a chance to play in the summer," Howe said. "I think it benefits us as we prepare for fall practice."

Wartburg softball coach Kara Kehe '97 agreed.

"The trip presented Jackie and Steph with the opportunity to travel abroad and play softball in an international forum," Kehe explained. "The educational value of their experience – on and off the playing field – is something I expected to trigger personal growth that was evident when they returned to campus this fall."

Fans, alumni to join wrestling, basketball teams in Las Vegas

Fans and alumni can join Wartburg's wrestling and basketball teams in Las Vegas the week before Christmas. The wrestling team will host its third Desert Duals Monday, Dec. 21, at the Flamingo Hotel, situated at the heart of the Las Vegas strip. The basketball team will compete in the D3 Desert Shootout Dec. 20-22 at McDermott Physical Education Complex on the University of Nevada-Las Vegas campus.

Interested individuals can contact Short's Travel directly at 1-800-274-6787 for flight information for both the wrestling and men's basketball trips. The Flamingo has packages for the wrestling tournament only at 1-800-835-5686. Fans and alumni should use the Wartburg confirmation code: S F W R T 5. Directions for online reservations can be found at www.go-knights.net/wrestling.

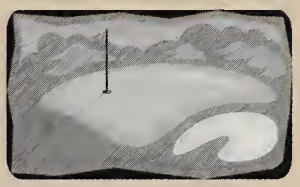
New students with alumni parents

Parent	Student	Hometown
1967		
Robert Helland	Ashley	Oelwein
1970		
Lyle Wendland	Jacob	Charles City
1971		
Pamela (Coffin) Meyer	Molly	Algonquin, Ill.
1972		
Sarah (Lowe) Lowe-Schroeder	Sunnycho Schroeder	Henley Beach, Australia
1973		
Connie (Juhl) Vitzthum	Matthew	Algona
1974		
Wayne Meyer	Molly	Algonquin, Ill.
Barbara (Donica) Pevny	Brooke	Durango, Colo.
1975		
Nancy (Buck) Carlson	Tyler	Lindstrom, Minn.
Christine (Anderson) Merkel	Kendra	Shell Rock
Nancy (Helmers) Stiner	David	Iowa Falls
1976		
Daniel Merkel	Kendra	Shell Rock
1977		
Brian Albert	Luke	Glenwood
Robin (Skubinna) Albert	Luke	Glenwood
Ronald Andreesen	Sarah	Center Junction
Lois (Wolslegel) Hilger	Ellen	Appleton, Wis.
Douglas Mathison	Leah	Prairie du Chien, Wis.
Mary (Engelbrecht) Mathison	Leah	Ptairie du Chien, Wis.
1978		
Diane (Pearce) Neuhaus	Kimberly	Waterloo
Robert Neuhaus	Kimberly	Cedar Falls
Michael Tendall	Natalie	DeWitt
Richard Wendland	Jennifer	Little Canada, Minn.
1979		
David Gaylor	Lara	Peosta
Robert Saathoff	Abbey	Clarksville
1980		
G. Kim Wills	Amanda	Pella
1981		
Eric Biedermann	Steven	Ankeny
Mira (Koschmeder) Dolter	Matthew	Cedar Rapids
Pamela (Wehrkamp) Egli	Megan	Waverly
Gene Holtz	Chelsea	Racine, Wis.
Diane (Ehlert) Wills	Amanda	Pella
1982		
Wendy (Matthias) Lamos	Megan	Waverly
1983		
Gregory Schmitz	Lindsay	New Hartford
1985		
Lisa (Koop) Schmitz	Lindsay	New Hartford
1993		
Kathy (Roberts) Franken	Christopher	Nashua

Travel with Wartburg

Wartburg's 2006 alumni tours include never-before-offered opportunities.

SCOTLAND



Space is limited on this golfing tour of Scotland, which is scheduled for July 16-22 and includes an optional three-day extension to the finals of the 2006 British Open.

CHINA

Spend two weeks touring this ancient country. The tour is slated for Oct. 26-Nov. 11, 2006, and includes Beijing, the Great Wall, Xian, Shanghai, Suzhou, Hong Kong and other areas.

Both trips require a non-refundable deposit.

For more information, call Kent Williams at Short's Travel at 800-274-6787 or 319-234-5577 or go to www.wartburg.edu/alumni/alumni_events.html.

Wartburg music online

Clips from Wartburg music recordings and purchase information are available online. The Web site includes Christmas with Wartburg recordings and other CDs by Wartburg ensembles; Dr. Simon Estes, distinguished professor and artist-in-residence; and Dr. Ted Reuter, professor of piano, and Dr. Eric Wachmann, associate professor of music. Check out www.wartburg.edu/music/recordings.html.

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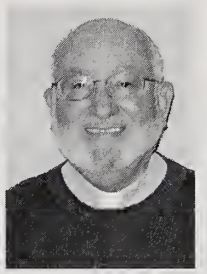
Indiana community celebrates 'E. Dean Windhorn Day'


The Rev. E. Dean Windhorn

The community of Noblesville, Ind., honored a Wartburg alumnus with his own special day.

Mayor John Ditslear declared June 5 "E. Dean Windhorn Day," calling upon residents to recognize Windorn for "outstanding efforts toward the betterment of our city, church and world."

According to the official proclamation, Windhorn '56 decided he would become a pastor because of his maternal grandmother's influence. After graduating from Wartburg with a Bachelor of Arts degree, he went on to Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque.

Since then, Windhorn has enjoyed a 45-year ministry in five churches: St. John's in Fowlerville, Mich.; Christ Lutheran in Wyoming, Mich.; Trinity Lutheran in Mattoon, Ill.; Immanuel Lutheran in Rock Falls, Ill.; and Christ Lutheran in Zionsville, Ind.

Though he retired in 2001, Windhorn serves as visitation pastor at Bethel Lutheran Church in Noblesville.

"God continues to use E. Dean as His effective, passionate and faithful servant not only at Bethel Lutheran Church, but throughout the Indiana-Kentucky Synod and all the lives he touches," Ditslear noted. "God has never retired from E. Dean, and E. Dean has never retired from God's work."

1951

Dr. NORMAN FINTEL, Draper, Va., president emeritus of Roanoke College, has published a new book on the principles of good management, leadership and administration for churches and nonprofit organizations, *Effective Leadership: A Guide for Church and Nonprofit Organizations.* He was president of Roanoke from 1975 to 1989.

1959

The Rev. HARVEY JAEGER, Howard, Wis., has accepted the call to serve Trinity Lutheran Church, Washington Island, as an intentional interim until the congregation calls a resident pastor.

1960

BOB HIERONYMUS, Bulverde, Texas, was awarded first place in the 2004 U.S. Air Force-wide media contest as contract writer of the year. Bob is a staff writer for the Randolph AFB (Texas) *Wingspread* newspaper.

FRAN WESTENDORF JOHANSEN, Mesa, Ariz., was awarded the 2005 State Bar Award of Special Merit by the Board of Governors for the State Bar of Arizona. The award recognizes "significant contributions by a member of the bar to the furtherance of public understanding of the legal system, the administration of justice and confidence in the legal profession." Fran was selected because her "impressive and extensive accomplishments in the field of Unauthorized Practice of Law exemplify every criterion of this award."

ELFRIEDA HOEFING SAYLOR, Pocahontas, was inducted into the Iowa State 4-H Hall of Fame Aug. 21 at the Iowa State Fair. The award recognized her service in Pocahontas County as a 4-H leader from 1959 to 1962 and 1974 to 1982, youth committee volunteer, achievement show judge, extension council member, citizens of extension advisory committee member, fair board member for three years and fair manager for 10 years.

1961

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JAMES LAHMANN, Sumner, has retired after 44 years with Sumner Community Schools. He was a high school teacher for seven years and served for the past 37 years as principal of Durant Elementary. In his honor, the Sumner board of education has named the elementary media center the James F. Lahmann Media Center.

MARILYN RUESCH PILGRIM and Blair W. Lawson, Indianola, were married Feb. 13. Marilyn is retired from CUNA Mutual Life but teaches continuing education for AD Banker Ltd. of Overland Park, Kan.

1965

JOYCE PERSCHKE FETCH, Mandan, N.D., retired June 29 after a 40-year career in social work. She spent the past 29 years as a social worker with Morton County Social Services.

JOHN HANSSEN, Simi Valley, Calif., was promoted to vice president, information technology and chief information officer for Stratos International, Inc., Chicago, Ill.

1966

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Dr. KENNETH AHNTHOLZ, Ankeny, is a chaplain for Hospice of Central Iowa at the two Kavanagh Houses in the Des Moines area. He was certified as a chaplain with the Association of Professional Chaplains in April. He also serves as pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Bouton.

1967

JANICE ALKE HANA, Garner, retired in May after 36 years of teaching first grade or kindergarten in the Peoria, Ill., Jefferson County (Denver, Colo.) and Garner school systems.

1968

RANDY PETERS, Davenport, was named 4A Iowa State Track and Field Coach of the Year after his Davenport Central High School boys track team won the 4A Iowa State Track and Field Championship this year. His teams also won state championships in 1982 and 1984.

1971

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The Rev. MARK PRIES, Pella, received a Doctor of Ministry degree from Luther Seminary May 22 at Central Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minn. He is senior pastor for Peace Lutheran Church.

1972

WANDA M. ANDERSON, Lone Tree, retired from teaching fourth grade after 33 years at Lone Tree Community School. She was listed in the latest edition of *Who's Who in America Schools* as a favorite teacher in the Lone Tree School District.

PHYLLIS RUDER CORRICK, Bettendorf, retired after teaching eighth-grade math for 30 years at North Scott Junior High School, Eldridge.

LYNDA KLEINSCHMIDT and Greg Johnson, Oshkosh, Wis., were married Sept. 23. Lynda teaches math in grades 7-8 at Waupun Middle School, Waupun.

1973

DALE ZIEMER, Palatine, Ill., was elected managing director of the Center for Parish Development, an ecumenical church research and consulting agency in Chicago.

1974

JAMED "J.D." GARDNER was appointed chief financial officer and senior vice president of business operations for Amedia Networks, Eatontown, N.J.

1975

CLIFF BROCKMAN, Davenport, earned a master's degree in journalism in May from the University of Iowa, Iowa City. He taught TV news writing at the J-school while completing his degree. He teaches two courses there this fall and advises the Augustana College student newspaper in Rock Island, Ill. His wife is CINDY DAWES '76 BROCKMAN.

MELINDA "MINDY" BARNES HOKE, Marine on St. Croix, Minn., was promoted to senior director, individual major gifts and capital campaign, for Minnesota Public Radio.

1977

KAL HUCK, Arvada, Colo., received the professional designation Registered Health Underwriter from The American College. He is with Wellpoint, Colorado and Nevada, which is affiliated with Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

EDWIN KRUSE and Yoko Sakaguchi, San Diego, Calif., were married Feb. 22, 2004. They have a 13-year-old daughter, Aya. Edwin is manager of Road Runner Broadband Network for Time Warner Cable.

The Rev. JACK MITHELMAN, Des Moines, is one of the campus pastors at Grand View College. He also serves as a co-pastor at Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, which enjoys historic ties to Grand View College.

LYLE SCHWARTZ, Jewell, is superintendent of the South Hamilton Community School District. His wife, DIANE MILLER SCHWARTZ, is a special education consultant for Area Education Agency 267.

1978

Dr. BARCLAY BAKKUM, Aurora, Ill., teaches at Illinois College of Optometry, Chicago.

LYNETTE ELLERBUSCH and Dr. Rob Welch, Lincoln, Neb., were married June 25. Lynette completed her master's degree in 2002 and is a private practice psychotherapist at Southwood Psychotherapy Center.

1979

JIM MERTZ, Portland, Ore., is president/CEO of Willamette View, Inc., which provides an array of senior housing options and services.

After 40 years, she's still queen

Reprinted from the July 24 Louisville (Ky.) Courier-Journal

Charlestown, Ind., resident Dan Diekhoff '63 threw down the gauntlet for men who want to display their love for their wives.

To celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary, Diekhoff put on an elaborate surprise party at The Forest Discovery Center in Starlight.

Judy Diekhoff '65 thought she was headed to a family reunion with about 30 people. But when he blindfolded her as they approached the center, she knew something was up.

"Remember last week when I told you that I didn't have your present yet?" Dan asked as he guided Judy from the elevator on the second floor.

He handed her over to their two daughters-in-law, who whisked her into the ladies room. While she was still blindfolded, they switched her clothes to a royal blue satin gown and white cape.

Minutes later there was a trumpet blast followed by a medieval town crier saying, "Hear ye, you are in the presence of the king and his lady" as the couple entered the center's large conference room.

Dan finally removed his wife's blindfold as a crowd of 150 dressed in medieval costumes and standing on the catwalk above them yelled, "Long live the queen!"

"Oh my God!" was about all Judy could mutter. There was Dan embracing her and dressed as a king, complete with crown and sword.

The event took 18 months of planning. There was a black-hooded executioner, with a double-headed wooden ax made by Dan Diekhoff. The town crier carried an 8-foot staff, also made by Diekhoff, appropriately topped by a carving of caduceus serpents.

Diekhoff is the master woodworker at Forest Discovery in Charleston, and he put that expertise to use to make a wooden cutting knife for each dinner guest. A roasted whole hog was presented to the head table on a wooden carrier that he also made.

Photo Courtesy of the Diekhoffs

QUEEN FOR A DAY – In July, Dan Diekhoff '63 surprised his wife of 40 years by hatching an elaborately royal scheme. "We did not receive the degree of 'King' and 'Queen' at Wartburg, but we certainly did receive a royal education while we were there," noted "Queen" Judy '65.

"Whereas Lady Judy has long had control of the purse strings," said the town crier, and, "Whereas Lady Judy saw it in her heart to marry beneath her station, selecting at the college of Wartburg a lowly woodworker."

"Whereas Lady Judy has degrees of higher learning in both music and education and our king is happier whittling. Whereas Lady Judy is the mother of the heirs to the crown."

Asked why he went to such lengths, Diekhoff looked incredulous and said, "You don't know my wife. She never asks for anything. She doesn't buy jewelry; she's hard to shop for."

When he asked her how she wanted to celebrate their anniversary, she suggested a trip to visit old friends.

At times it was a bit overwhelming for the woman of honor.

With voice cracking, she said, "Dan has shown his greatest love for me by doing this."

Diekhoff created the jousting knights that once occupied a wall in Buhr Lounge of the old Student Union and now hang on a wall near the President's Office.

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1980

SHARON HOFFMAN CORRIGAN, Sparta, N.J., is the northern regional sales manager for Jaguar Cars, Mahwah. She and her husband, Dan, are the parents of Kathleen, 8.

SHARON BRESSON KURTT, Ph.D., St. Paul, Minn., is associate vice president for graduate and extended studies with The College of Saint Scholastica, Duluth. She is responsible for enrollments for four St. Scholastica sites – St. Cloud, St. Paul, Brainard and Duluth – and works from the St. Paul site.

SUSAN KOHL ROSTAD, Waynesville, Mo., is listed in 2005 *Who's Who Among Teachers.*

1981

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JULIE KLECKNER BAIRD, Urbandale, was elected to a second term as vice president of the Southeastern Iowa Synod Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Her husband, MARK BAIRD, is a general manager for Best Buy. They are the parents of Jesse, 19, Joshua, 17, and Jacob, 13.

Dr. FREDERICK BURRACK, Manhattan, Kan., is an assistant professor of music at Kansas State University, specializing in instrumental music. He will be a presenter late this year at the Committee for Institutional Cooperation, Bloomington, Ind.; the Iowa Music Educators Conference, Ames; International Trumpet Conference, Greece; the Kansas Music Educators Conference, Wichita; and the National Music Educators Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah.

NEIL MULLEN, La Porte City, is superintendent of the Union Community School District.

RANDY STANEK, Manchester, is middle school principal and director of special education in the West Delaware School District.

1984

Chaplain Maj. GREG JANS, Millbrook, Ala., earned an M.S. degree in counseling psychology from Tarleton State University, Killeen, and has been counseling combat soldiers returning from Iraq to Fort Hood, Texas. He is a fellow in the American Association of Pastoral Counselors and teaches U.S. Air Force chaplains at the Chaplain Service Institute, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

Bob and JEAN BEHRENS TURNER, Ankeny, announce the birth of Rachel Elizabeth, March 11. She joins Daniel, 15, Sarah, 12, and Nick, 8.

EILEEN ZAHN and Peder Engebretson, St. Anthony, Minn., were married Aug. 20.

1985

LEON and Linda BAUMAN, Olathe, Kan., announce the birth of Kiersten Noel. She joins Trevor, 9, Thomas, 6, and Celeste, 4. Leon is a financial associate with Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

1986

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JAN BOESE ANDERSON, Lafayette, Minn., is a field representative with Education Minnesota, the state teachers union. She is stationed in the St. Cloud office, working with various teacher and Education Support Professional locals.

GARY T. JOHNSON, Tomball, Texas, was accepted into the U.S. Coast Guard press corps. As a writer and editor, he was honored with the 2004 award for Best Publication in Division 6.

1987

STEVE CASSABAUM, Nevada, is a physical therapist with Story County Medical Center and owns 21st Century Rehab with his wife, Michelle.

Sean and SONDRA SCHUMACHER SLATTERY, Colorado Springs, Colo., announce the birth of Stephen Michael, Jan. 3. He joins John, 7, and Andrew, 5.

1988

CARLA FERGUSON, Pella, received IOM graduate recognition for completing a comprehensive course of study in nonprofit management through the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Institute for Organization Management. She was selected by her class to deliver the graduation address.

KENT KLECKNER, Decorah, is market president for Bank of the West branches in Decorah, Protivin and Mabel, Minn.

DARREN MILLER, Tipton, received an Iowa High School Athletic Association news media award at the 2005 Iowa Boys' State Basketball Tournament, Des Moines. He is sports information director at Cornell College, Mount Vernon.

TIM SCHURING, Oelwein, is associate principal and activities director in the Oelwein Community School District.

The Rev. MATT SODERSTRUM, Story City, received a Master of Divinity degree from Bethel Seminary, Saint Paul, Minn. He serves as pastor of adult ministries at Harvest Evangelical Free Church. He and his wife, Stacy, are the parents of Bailey, 16, Shelby, 14, Samuel, 12, Charlsea, 11, and Josiah, 9.

TRACY RUHBERG SUDAK, Chaska, Minn., is an assistant actuary for Allianz Life Insurance Company of North America, Minneapolis.

MARK TEERINK, Shawnee, Kan., is a senior associate practicing in the area of customs and international trade law with Miller & Company P.C., Kansas City, Mo.

BETHANY WESTRE and John Lahart, Chariton, were married July 24, 2004. Bethany completed her master's degree in education from the University of Missouri-St. Louis in December 2004.

1989

CHRIS ANDERSON, Riceville, is superintendent of the Riceville School District.

BART BERG and Leslie Frame, West Des Moines, were married Aug. 28, 2004. Bart is a senior cost reimbursement specialist with Broadlawns Medical Center.

VICTOR COLE was named field experience coordinator in Metropolitan State University's College of Professional Studies, effective Aug. 1.

DAN GARRETT, Des Moines, is executive director of Iowa Equity Fund, Inc., a nonprofit corporation that raises private capital from corporations for the production, rehabilitation and preservation of affordable housing in Iowa.

KIRK and Carmen SAMPSON, Normal, Ill., announce the birth of Collin, June 13. He joins Connor, 13, and Katherine, 10. Kirk is a program manager in the systems department with State Farm Insurance Companies, Bloomington.

ANNE GARDINER SCROGGIN, Allison, is an administrative secretary with Butler County Rural Electric Cooperative. In 2004, she volunteered more than 323 hours in her community, which included her service as an EMT

for the Allison Ambulance Service. She also does freelance copyediting from her home.

ART SUNLEAF, Dubuque, was promoted to assistant vice president of student development and dean of students at Loras College. He is also the "Voice of the Duhawks" and announces all home basketball games.

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JEFF and Amy FROST, Gilberrville, announce the birth of Cole Kenneth, Aug. 26. He joins Brett, 10, Abbie, 8, and Maddy, 5. Jeff is an assistant principal and athletic director at West Waterloo High School.

MARI FUNABAYASHI, Tokyo, Japan, works at the Japan College of Foreign Languages.

KEN and Cathy GUYETTE, Walpole, Mass., announce the adoption of Nicholas, 14 months, from Moscow, Russia, May 4.

ROB MARQUARDT is with Yahoo! in its newly formed Widget Group.

Scott and JANET LEE PLATHE, Sioux City, announce the birth of Claire Marie, March 28. She joins Anna, 4. Janet is executive director for Leadership Siouxland and serves as a planning consultant for the Siouxland Human Investment Partnership.

KARI NELSON STAACK and JERROD STAACK '91, Janesville, announce the birth of Jake Patrick, March 8. He joins Kaleb, 9, Abbi, 7, and Jentry, 3. Kari and Jerrod teach in the Waverly-Shell Rock School District, where Jerrod took over this fall as head high school football coach.

KELLY THOMPSON TEWS, Ramsey, Minn., is manager of marketing promotion print buyers with Target Corporation, Minneapolis. She has been with Target eight years and previously served as manager of the internal printing sourcing team.

Dan and MAUREEN HUGHES WEICHERS, Parkersburg, announce the birth of Averi, March 9. She joins Carson, 3. Maureen teaches music in the Aplington-Parkersburg School District.

SCOTT WYANT, Kirksville, Mo., is high school principal at Adair County R-I School, Novinger. He is finishing a specialist degree in educational administration at Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville.

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KURT DEVORE, Decorah, is manager of technology for the Decorah Community School District. He is an Apple Distinguished Educator and serves on the state of Iowa technology board.

PAT and Martha KING, Waukee, announce the birth of Alex Joseph, July 29. He joins Will, 3.

Jeff and CLAUDIA POOCK OWENS, Chariton, announce the birth of Clayton Jeffrey, April 15. He joins Jamison, 5. Claudia teaches first grade at Columbus Elementary School in the Chariton School District.

KRISTI QUADE and Robb Wiedrich, Rochester, Minn., were married Aug. 13. Kristi teaches sixth grade at Kellogg Middle School and coaches cross country at Century High School.

Brad and CARYL PIERSCHBACHER SHEPHERD, Suwanee, Ga., announce the birth of Alex Ryan, Jan. 11. Caryl is chief accounting officer with Global Preferred Holdings, Inc., Duluth.

DAVID SWARTZ, Estherville, was promoted to editor of the *Estherville Daily News.*

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TODD HOLTZ, Toledo, is first vice president of Lincoln Savings Bank.

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Alumnus receives media award

Mike Johansen '71 has been honored by the Arizona Interscholastic Association with the 2005 "Skip" Bryant Media Support Award.

The presentation was made Sept. 12 at the annual conference of the Arizona Interscholastic Association Athletic Administrators.

The award is given annually to a member or former member of the Arizona media who has done an outstanding job of covering high school sports in a positive manner. The award is named after long-time sports writer "Skip" Bryant, whose 45-plus years of high school sports coverage is one of the state's longest tenures.

Courtesy photo

HONORED – Longtime sports journalist Mike Johansen '71 (center) received the 2005 "Skip" Bryant Media Support Award. Making the presentation were Safford Athletic Director Joe Burnside, left, and Fort Thomas Superintendent Jerry Hancock.

Johansen, a Waverly native, attended Wartburg from September 1966 through December 1968, majoring in drama. He served as a photographer for Duane Schroeder '58 in the Public Information Office. Johansen graduated in 1971 with a Bachelor of Journalism degree from the University of Missouri.

Johansen worked for three years as public information coordinator at the former Hawkeye Institute of Technology in Waterloo. He went on to serve as sports editor of the *Lexington Twin Weeklies* in Lexington, Neb. He began working as sports editor of the *Eastern Arizona Courier* in 1977 and served until 2002.

He is now sports editor of *The Press-Dispatch* in Petersburg, Ind.

BRAD and ANGELA TOALE '93 HORSTMANN, Bristol, Va., announce the birth of Abby Lee, June 28. She joins Brady, 1.

ERIKA JOHNSON-ALPERN and Don Alpern, Littleton, Colo., announce the birth of Samuel Benjamin, May 5. He joins Emma, 4.

Douglas and ANISSA MARTH SANBORN, Nashville, Tenn., announce the birth of Katharine "Kate" Cole, April 6. She joins half-brother, Koda, 19, and half-sister, January, 17, of Waterloo. Anissa is a musician in Music City and a manager at the University Club of Nashville on the campus of Vanderbilt University.

Mark and JO ANN KNIPFER SHERMAN, Waukon, announce the birth of Bailey Jo, Sept. 19, 2004. She joins Aaron, 6, and Alison, 3. Jo Ann completed a master's degree in education from Viterbo University in July 2004 and is director of bands at Allamakee Junior High School.

1993

Ed and KRISTIN HACKER BRAND, Verona, Wis., announce the birth of Jonathan, April 11. He joins Samuel, 2.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

DEBBIE DUNKLEE and Jeff Cheshire were married Aug. 6, 2004. Debbie started her clinical psychology doctoral internship at Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital, Rome, Ga., in September 2005. Throughout her doctoral program, she has maintained a private music therapy practice in Keene, N.H., that serves children with developmental disabilities.

TIM HARN, Winnebago, Ill., is the controller at Pacific Scientific, Rockford. His wife, AMY VAN LANINGHAM '92 HARN, directs choirs in grades 6-12 in the Forreston Schools. The Forreston music department has won the Illinois State Sweepstakes Championship the past three years under her direction and the past six years in a row. Tim and Amy are the parents of Amanda, 10, Brittany, 7, and Connor, 5.

Steve and MEG NESBITT LORENZ, Aurora, Colo., announce the birth of Hannah Kathleen, June 15.

ALOYSIUS TINGADON, Bingkor, Malaysia, is a teacher and head of the language department at SMK Bingkor.

1994

Dr. GIA BATSON, Chicago, Ill., is finishing her final year of family practice residency at St. Joseph Hospital, where she was elected executive resident for the 2005-06 academic year. She oversees five residency programs (obstetrics, general surgery, family practice, internal medicine and podiatry) and serves in an administrative capacity on several committees.

MIKE and MELISSA SWEENEY '95 BECHTEL, Onalaska, Wis., announce the birth of Madeline Dee, Jan. 26. She joins Alexandra, 6, and Abigail, 4.

Darren and JULEE SCHWARZ FOX, Lees Summit, Mo., announce the birth of Sawyer Marshal, May 25. He joins Paige, 4. Julee is a director with McGladrey & Pullen, LLP, Kansas City.

Courtesy photo

HONORED – Three Wartburg alumnae were recipients of the Adreinne Astolfi Eddins Health Management Scholarship at the University of Iowa. The scholarship honors the memory one of the nation's pioneer female health care executives. Pictured from left are: Molly Mason Flynn '01 of Keota, who will receive her master's degree in 2006; Janice Reals Ellig, Eddins' sister; Denise Dietz Rettig '03 of Coralville, who received her master's degree in May; and Jennifer Donahue '01 of Chicago, Ill., who received her master's degree in 2004.

BRYAN and ROBYN OLSON '95 FRIEDMAN, Newton, announce the birth of Leo, July 6. He joins Isaac, 4.

BRAD and Alison HOLTEN, Cresco, announce the birth of Kaiya Ann, July 15.

DAVID and Lisa MATTHIAS, Readlyn, announce the birth of Gabriel Clay, June 25.

Michael and JILL ZIETLOW PHILBY, Albuquerque, N.M., announce the birth of Samuel Steven, May 17. He joins Noah, 8. Jill teaches first grade in the Albuquerque Public Schools.

TIM and JENNIFER ARBUCKLE SEEGER, Omaha, Neb., announce the birth of Davin Martin in May. He joins Kylie, 3.

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Todd and JEN BYE CHRISTY, Johnston, announce the birth of Benjamin Joseph, May 19. He joins Kate, 2.

CRAIG DITTMER and Dena King, Indianola, were married Aug. 13. Craig is a project manager for Storage and Design Group, Des Moines.

TY and JENNI ZARN '97 MALCOM, Dubuque, announce the birth of Henry, May 14.

CARTINA PEPPERS MILLER, Woodbridge, Va., was promoted to manager at Grant Thornton LLP, Alexandria, Va., an accounting and management consulting company headquartered in Chicago, Ill.

Dr. MICHAEL OTTO, Mason City, is a dentist at Family Dentistry.

Kevin and SHIRLEY WARBURTON RIES, Haslett, Mich., announce the birth of Gabrielle Kathryn, June 8. She joins Danielle, 3.

DOUG ROUSH, Des Moines, received his M.B.A. from Drake University in May 2005.

NAMI SASAKI, Tokyo, Japan, is with The Society for Testing English Proficiency, Inc.

ERIC SILVER, Denton, Texas, was promoted in August to district sales manager with Verizon Information Services, Irving.

Gary and KAREN MYROM STEINHILBER, Minneapolis, Minn., announce the birth of Ryan Lee, May 11. Karen completed her master's degree at the University of Minnesota and is a freelance instructional designer with EvoLearn, Inc.

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SHIEU YE AU and Francis Ng, Puchong Selangor, Malaysia, announce the birth of Mary-Anne, April 7.

DENISE TESTORFF BRITT, Fredericksburg, received her Associate of Arts degree in nursing in May from Northeast Iowa Community College, Calmar. She is a registered nurse in the hemotology and oncology division at Cedar Valley Medical Specialists, Waterloo.

SCOTT and BECKY FRITS DECKER, Des Moines, announce the birth of Andrew David, April 26. He joins Payton, 3. Scott is a Reading First coach at Moulton Learning Center. Becky is a provider service associate at Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield.

KIRSTEY EWALD, Waverly, completed her Master of Arts degree in English with Teaching English in the Secondary Schools emphasis at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls. She teaches English/language arts at Cedar Falls High School.

ERIC FOOTE, Encinitas, Calif., is director of West Coast development for College Sports Television, San Diego.

The Rev. JAY GRAVE, Fredericksburg, Texas, received a Master of Divinity degree from Luther Seminary May 22 at Central Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minn. He serves as seminarian-in-residence at Zion Lutheran Church.

MICHIRU HIGUCHI, Delhi, India, teaches Japanese.

Rob and MAKAELA SCHUKNECHT HOFFMAN, Eagle Grove, announce the birth of McKinnley Irene, June 9. She joins Brooks, 1. Makaela is the PreK-8 assistant principal in the Eagle Grove School District.

Tim and AMY HAMILTON KANGAS, Waverly, announce the birth of Joseph Andrew, April 29. He joins Linnea, 8.

ELIZABETH LEAS, Houston, Texas, works for the Girls Scouts of San Jacinto Council as bilingual community outreach membership manager of activity centers and YMCA. She performed for two seasons as a mezzo soprano with Opera in the Heights and is now on staff as a ringer/soloist mezzo soprano at St. James Episcopal Church. She was named an alternate chorus member with Houston Grand Opera for the 2005-06 season and periodically flies to New York City for opera auditions. She also serves as a Girl Scout leader and does volunteer mission work with Paperhouses, Inc.

CARRIE MACK and Jai Palmer, Denver, Colo., were married in July. Carrie is a reading specialist at Eastridge Elementary School.

MICHAEL and MISTY MARTIN VAN LANINGHAM, Kenosha, Wis., announce the birth of Emily Marie, July 8, 2004. She joins Nicholas, 3. Mike is technical services manager with CompUSA, Brookfield. Misty works from home as director of Trinity Co-Op Nursery School.

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BRANDON and CHRISTI LARSON DIXON, Marthasville, Mo., announce the birth of Kendall Naomi, May 5, 2004.

Chris and DANA SCHWINDENHAMMER FRANKLIN, Peoria, Ill., announce the birth of Abigail Marie, Nov. 1, 2004. She joins Emma, 3. Dana is SOS Services Center of Excellence coordinator with with Caterpillar, Inc.

BRAD and Lori GUYER, Sun Prairie, Wis., announce the birth of Allie Grace, June 18. She joins Megan, 4, and Jenna, 2. Brad is a senior I/T business analyst consulting for Covance Laboratories, Madison.

MARK HAUSSMANN, Swarthmore, Pa., completed his Ph.D. degree in ecology and evolutionary biology at Iowa State University. He teaches animal physiology and the

biology of aging as a visiting professor at Swarthmore College near Philadelphia.

KELLY HOWE and Mark Hoover, Englewood, Colo., were married Aug. 20.

Jack and NANCY LAMBERTY LINDER, Verona, Wis., announce the birth of Emma Rose, June 29. She joins Katie, 2.

Dr. KEVIN MILLER and Jessica Flatjord, West Des Moines, were married May 14. Kevin is president and owner of EP True Chiropractic.

PAUL MOELLERING and Piper Kelly, Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, were married July 15. Paul teaches third grade at The American School Foundation of Monterrey.

Dr. TRAVIS MONTGOMERY has joined Achilles Podiatry Group, Indianapolis, Ind., after completing a podiatric foot and ankle surgical residency at Washington Hospital Center, Washington, D.C.

BRIAN and Lesli NELSON, Cordele, Ga., announce the birth of Ava Grace, April 13. Brian is a physical education teacher at Southwestern Elementary and coaches football, girls basketball and boys track at Crisp Counry High School.

HEATHER ROSE, Cresco, is a logistics coordinator with Plantpeddler, Inc.

Dr. SARAH TAYLOR, Charleston, S.C., completed a Master of Public Health degree in May and graduated from family practice residency at the Medical University of South Carolina June 30. In August, she started a fellowship in dermatology at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, Winston-Salem, N.C.

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BENJAMIN and ERIN WHITEHILL BARTLETT, Cedar Falls, announce the birth of Bailey Rose, June 30.

SCOTT and Erin CORDES, Cedar Rapids, announce the birth of Kate Lynn, Jan. 27.

St. Sebald remains connected

by Alaina Akkerman '06

St. Sebald is a former site of Wartburg College, but it now plays a prominent role in linking the past and present on the Waverly campus.

The home of Wartburg from 1857 to 1868, St. Sebald is located near Strawberry Point.

After growing up in that area, Dr. Melvin Kramer '52, professor emeritus of business administration and economics, is familiar with the 40-acre woodland area surrounding the previous Wartburg College site.

In an effort to shed more light on Wartburg's past, Kramer developed the idea to use walnut trees from St. Sebald to frame portraits of the school's 16 presidents. He also agreed to underwrite the cost of the project.

"My wife and I saw it as an excellent opportunity to give back to the school and the students whom I had served for so many years," said Kramer.

To make the frames, Kramer approached his cousin, Paul Bauhs '75 of Paul Bauhs Woodworking in Decorah. Bauhs agreed to take on the project and completed 18 frames in 2004. The frames now hang in a gallery of presidents in Luther Hall.

While Kramer was pleased with the project, he remained unsure of what to do with the leftover lumber. President and Mrs. Ohle had long wanted a proper display case for the Wartburg Mace, a staff designed by Arthur C. Frick, professor emeritus of art, and used for ceremonial occasions. They approached Kramer about creating a cabinet with the leftover wood, and Bauhs did the work.

"Jack and Kris were excellent to work with," Bauhs said. "We wanted to create something traditional that fit the look of the college but not something too showy. It needed to be appropriate for what it would display."

The cabinet took approximately three weeks to design and build and was officially completed midway through the 2004-05 school year.

Bauhs and his siblings donated the cabinet as a memorial to his and Kramer's grandfather, the Rev. Friedrich Wilhelm Knappe, who previously served as minister of St. Sebald Lutheran Church, and to his parents, Leonard and Adelheid Bauhs, whose dream was that their children would someday go to college.

The cabinet is located in the president's office.

– Akkerman of Dike is a communication arts major with public relations emphasis and leadership minor.

Karris Golden

PLACE OF HONOR –This cabinet was constructed by Paul Bauhs '75, using walnut wood from St. Sebald, a former Wartburg site. The display case honors the memory of the late Leonard and Adelheid Bauhs, dedicated by their children, Mary '72, Leonard '74, Paul and Mark.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Nathan and AMANDA YOUNG CUNNINGHAM, Perry, announce the birth of Alexandria Grace, July 20.

Hap and Dr. AMY JOHNSON FERTIG, Ingleside, Ill., announce the birth of Jack Stephen, July 24. Amy is a veterinarian in Grayslake.

Brian and SHANELL HASS FREESEMAN, Ankeny, announce the birth of Jenna Hope, Aug. 3.

BRENDA GEITZENAUER, Buffalo Center, earned a master's degree in educational leadership from Minnesota State University, Mankato, Minn., in December 2004. She teaches biology at North Iowa High School.

DEREK and RENAE ROST '99 HARTL, Decorah, announce the birth of Braydon David, Aug. 10.

EMILY SHEPPARD HAUSSMANN, Swarthmore, Pa., completed an M.B.A. degree at Iowa State University, Ames. She works in Philadelphia as advertising manager for the Maytag Stores.

KIM JANSSEN HOTZ and CHAD HOTZ '99, Waverly, announce the birth of Caden Michael, July 9. He joins Cole, 2.

KIRSTI JOHANSON and Steve Howe, Madison, Wis., were married June 13, 2004. Kirsti was promoted last summer to artistic director in the Music at Madison Creative Arts Program, where she previously served for the past six years as an artist/educator and then director of music education.

Kurt and JESSICA KIMM JONES, Kalona, announce the birth of Amara Elaine, May 27. She joins Kessa, 4, and Justice, 2.

KRISTA KLOCKENTAGER and Ben Palmer, Helena, Mont., were married Sept. 17.

JULIE LICKFELT, Montgomery, Ill., received a Master of Arts degree in educational leadership in August 2004 from Aurora University. Her article on secondary school reading was published in the Illinois Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development's *Hot Topics*. She is division chair for English/speech at Oswego High School.

TAD and Angela McDONALD, Wellington, Colo., announce the birth of Norah Elizabeth, Aug. 1. She joins Luke, 2. Tad teaches fourth grade in the Laporte Schools.

Jason and CINDY KADING PHILLIPS, Lake View, announce the birth of Addison Jaye, Nov. 12, 2004. Cindy completed a Master of Arts in Education degree in May.

TOBI REINERT, Dubuque, is enrolled in the Master of Divinity program at Wartburg Theological Seminary.

NATHAN SANTAMARIA, Duluth, Ga., finished his M.B.A. degree at Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 11. He is product manager with A.I.G. Co., Atlanta, for the states of Vermont and Rhode Island.

JARED and HEATHER NAIL '00 SCHMIDT, Marion, announce the birth of Jada Taye, May 6. Heather is head volleyball coach at Coe College, Cedar Rapids. Jared does real estate planning for Farm Financial Strategies, Cedar Rapids.

KASEY O'HARA SCHULZ and RYAN SCHULZ '00, Dike, announce the birth of Brady Patrick, Aug. 27.

CARRIE LAWTON YOUDE, Woodbridge, Va., teaches ninth- and 10th-grade math at Stonewall Jackson High School, Manassas, Va. Her husband, Lt.j.g. STEVEN YOUDE '00, works in recruiting with the U.S. Coast Guard.

1999

ELIZABETH AASERUD, Garrett, Ind., is interim director of children's ministries and director of creative play school at County Line Church of God, Auburn.

JENNIFER AFDAHL, El Progreso, Honduras, is with ProÑino, a nonprofit organization that works with street children.

DAN ANDERSON, Mankato, Minn., is high school principal in the Maple River School District, Mapleton. His wife, AMY SMITH ANDERSON, is a social work consultant with New Life Family Services.

Charlie and AMY GEERTSEMA BEACH, Waverly, announce the birth of Ella Marie, Aug. 5. She joins Grant, 2.

MELISSA VOSS BROBSTON, Iowa City, is a graduate student in trumpet performance at the University of Iowa.

MIKE BURGGRAAF and SARAH ZINN-BURGGRAAF '00, Clive, announce the birth of Zachary Zinn, June 8. Sarah teaches in Waukee, and Mike owns Adel Physical Therapy in Adel.

MEGAN CARICO and Aaron Selle, Woodridge, Ill., were married June 25.

ANTHONY and Vicki DAUGHERTY, Atkins, announce the birth of twins, Evan Joseph and Blake Karl, April 22.

SONJA ANDERSON GERSTENBERGER, Des Moines, is a supported community living caseworker with Lutheran Services in Iowa.

Dr. ANDREW GREEN, Pella, is an assistant professor of American politics at Central College.

CHRISTINA DECKER HOLMER, Algonquin, Ill., was promoted to manager, distribution recruitment, for Walgreen Co.

HEATHER HUGLEY and Daniel Belair, Spring Lake Park, Minn., were married April 30. Heather is a sales research/public affairs assistant at 5 Eyewitness News.

SARAH NEDERHOFF and Heath Buhman, Sumner, were married May 27. Sarah teaches second grade in the Sumner Community School District.

AISHA RHINEHART NOON, Aurora, Colo., received her M.B.A. degree from Webster University in August. She is a property accountant with The Laramar Group, Denver.

RIANNE PFALTZGRAFF, San Ramon, Calif., announces the birth of twins, Madison Fern and Mason Scott, March 21.

ROSS and KRISTIN LEBECK '00 POLKING, West Des Moines, announce the birth of Caleb Douglas, Feb. 11.

JOHN and JAMIE SULLIVAN RIESER, New Ulm, Minn., announce the birth of Isabel Grace, Aug. 19. She joins Isaiah, 2.

AMBER RUTLEDGE, Clinton, earned a master's degree in technology and education from The Franciscan University of the Prairie.

CORY STAFFORD and Tori Hagen, Waverly, were married May 29. The new family includes Reese, 4, and Sasha, 2, from Tori's previous marriage.

DIANA TESTORFF, Denver, received her Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Northern Iowa in May 2005. She is a specifications analyst with John Deere Product Engineering Center, Waterloo.

FATINA WILLIAMSBEY and Van Allen Wilson Sr., Chicago, Ill., were married May 21.

2000

Scott and KATIE KELTING BAUER, West Des Moines, announce the birth of Brody Scott, Sept. 6, 2004.

Joel and SARAH FREED HOLSOPPLE, Goshen, Ind., announce the birth of Luke David, June 10.

JULIE KALKBRENNER, Reno, Nev., graduated in May 2005 from the accelerated nursing program at the University of Iowa, Iowa City. She is a step-down intensive care unit nurse with Washoe Medical Center.

JAMES and AMANDA CAMPBELL '01 LEEMHUIS, Clinton, announce the birth of Nathan Michael, Aug. 1. He joins Kayla, 2. James was promoted to quality assurance specialist at ADM.

ELIFADHILI MATTLE, Crete, Neb., received a Master of Arts degree in management May 15 from Doane College, Lincoln Campus.

CORY and Emily MULLEN, Waterloo, announce the birth of Mason Thomas, June 20. Cory is a programmer analyst with CUNA Mutual Life Insurance Co., Waverly.

ANGELA NEVE, San Diego, Calif., director/owner of The Music Therapy Center of California, was featured in a *Provider Magazine* article, "Testing the Power of Music-Making." She participated in a year-long research study on the effects of music-making on older adults.

ELIZABETH ROESCH and Keoki Huffman, Edgewater, Colo., were married Aug. 6. Liz teaches seventh-grade geography in the Jefferson County School District and is pursuing a master's degree in social work at the University of Denver.

KATE SUNDQUIST, Madison, Wis., announces the publication of her first children's book, *oh my goodness gracious me!* She writes under the name of SunnyKateQuist. She is also membership director for the Madison Area Builders Association.

LISA SWAB, Ankeny, achieved project management professional certification in April. She is an eBusiness analyst at Briggs Corporation, West Des Moines.

KELLY WILLRETT and Scott Pearson, Chandler, Ariz., were married April 9. They teach and perform in the Phoenix area through their business, Where It Begins LLC.

KRISTIN WOLVERTON WOLFE, Cedar Rapids, earned an M.S. degree in reading education from Florida International University, Miami, Fla., in December 2004. She teaches Title I reading at Van Buren Elementary. Her husband, Dr. DAN WOLFE '01, is an optometrist with Fetters Family Eye Care after earning a Doctor of Optometry degree from Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., in May.

IN MEMORIAM

2001

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TRACIA SCHAU ANDERSEN, Delmar, works in the accounts receivable department at Wendling Quarries, DeWitt. She also helps with wedding photography and does graphic design for Mark's Place Photography Studio, Eldridge, and operates her own business, Capturing Time Photography.

MIKE ARMSTRONG and ALISHA SASS '03, Cedar Rapids, were married May 21. Mike is a senior instructor with New Horizons Computer Learning Center, Hiawatha. Alisha is a social worker at Pathways Adult Day Health Center, Iowa City.

JOSH BLACK, La Quinta, Calif., announces the birth of Payten Elizabeth, June 11. Josh is the head of golf services at The Quarry.

Nathan and DAWN SYHLMAN CARLSON, Cedar Falls, announce the birth of Elijah, July 29. He joins Isaiah, 7, and Chloe, 2.

SARAH CHRISTOPHERSON, Waterloo, completed a master's degree in communication studies at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls. She is the marketing coordinator at Waterloo Tent and Tarp Company.

AARON COLLMANN, Alexandria, Va., was appointed by President George W. Bush as confidential and special assistant to the associate administrator, Office of Small Business Utilization, General Services Administration, Washington, D.C.

CASEY CORDES and Heidi Walvatne, Marion, were married July 9. Casey is with Wasendorf & Son, Cedar Falls.

JENNIFER HIVELY CORDES, Bloomington, Minn., is a special education-EBD teacher at Edina High School, Edina, Minn.

1927

LYDIA HOLM LINDNER, Brenham, Ohio, died Jan. 3.

1935

OVE M. WANGENSTEEN, Olivia, Minn., died July 8.

1937

ROSALMA NEUBAUER MARDORF, Waverly, died Aug. 8. Following her graduation from Wartburg, she taught in Maynard for two years. After her martiage, she supported her husband in his ministry to Lutheran congregations in Minnesota and Iowa. They retited to Waverly in 1978. She moved to Bartels Retirement Community in 2000.

1940

The Rev. Dr. JOHN G. KUETHE, Rocklin, Calif., died Oct. 11, 2003.

1941

AUGUST STAEHLING, Fond du Lake, Wis., died July 12. He and his brother founded Staehling Brothers Printing Company in Waupun, Wis., in 1941. He was company president until his retirement in 1985. He served in the U.S. Army from 1941 to 1946, including 18 months in the European Theatre. Since 1964, he had served on the board of directors of Wisconsin American Mutual Insurance Company in Fond du Lac, holding positions as president, treasurer and most recently, secretary.

The Rev. ALBERT J. DILLEMUTH, Rockwell City, died May 15. He graduated from Wartburg Theological Seminary in 1944, followed by his installation as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Pullman, Wash., and as campus pastor for Lutheran students at Washington State University. In 1953, he became the first full-time Lutheran campus pastor at the University of Washington in Seattle and director of the Western Washington region. He later served as South Central regional director in Kansas City, Mo. From 1971 to his retirement in 1983, he was assistant to the national director of Lutheran Campus Ministry in Chicago, Ill.

1942

HELEN R. THOMPSON, Watetloo, died June 1. She was a music teacher for 25 years in the Fredericksburg, Orange Township, Redfield, Independence and Jesup schools and taught private piano lessons.

The Rev. LUTHER A. MEYER, Michigan City, Ind., died Aug. 8. He was a 1945 graduate of Wartburg Theological Seminary and served parishes in Ohio, Michigan, Iowa and Illinois. After retiring in 1982, he maintained many ministries, including sending care packages ovetseas, wotking with prisoners and shut-ins and a "stairway ministry," as he walked up and down the stairs at St. Anthony Hospital.

1945

The Rev. ALFRED L. OELSCHLAGER, Cambridge, Minn., died June 2. After graduating from Wartburg Theological Seminary, he ministered for 39 years to Lutheran congregations in Minnesota. He retired to Cambridge in 1987.

1949

IRENE MEIER KUHRT, Waterloo, died Dec. 19, 2004. She taught in country schools near Fredericksbutg and Tripoli.

1950

HAROLD E. ROOD JR., Salinas, Calif., died Dec. 30, 2004. A U.S. Navy vetetan of World War II, he taught high school in Cylinder and Titonka before moving to California in 1959. He taught at Soledad Prison for eight years and spent 24 yeats at Salinas High School, where he retired in 1983. He also served for 20 years as custodian at his church, Lutheran Chutch of the Good Shepherd.

NEIL SAUTTER, Carlisle, died May 1, 2004. He was a production manager at General Mills for 38 years. A former Carlisle City Council member, he also served as a Carlisle volunteer fireman for 18 years, 13 years as a captain.

Dr. O. RICHARD NUTTER, Minot, N.D., died July 22. Aftet serving in the U.S. Air Fotce from 1950 to 1953, he enrolled at the Marquette University School of Dentistry in Milwaukee, completing his dental degtee 1957. He began practicing in Minot in 1959 and retired in 1998. His daughter and son-in-law joined the practice in 1987.

1951

The Rev. HERBERT ERNST MEYER, Colorado Springs, Colo., died July 28. He graduated from Wartburg Theological Seminary and was ordained into the ministry in 1954. He served as a U.S. Army chaplain ftom 1954 to 1957 and the served congregatons in Ohio, Wisconsin, Oklahoma, Colorado and Washington.

1953

Dr. KATHRYN M. ADEN, Urbandale, died July 7. She was a former assistant professot of education and dean of women at Wartburg. After teceiving her two-year teaching diploma from Wartburg, she taught elementary grades in Grundy Center, Eagle Grove, and La Gtange, Ill. She completed a B.A. degtee at the Univetsity of Iowa and earned her master's and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Illinois. Her career included positions as a resident hall supervisot and social director at Iowa Methodist School of Nursing in Des Moines, professor of education at Illinois State University in Urbana, Ill., and professor of education at Clarke College in Dubuque. After retiring, she continued to supervise student teachers for the U of I.

1955

FLOYD B. KETTERLING, Jacksonville, Fla., died June 14.

1958

BONNIE WALTER REEF, Gibsonburg, Ohio, died June 22. She was a tetail manager for Pills and Packages, Woodville, and a former teacher at Solomon Lutheran Church School and Eastwood Local Webster School.

1960

JERRY D. FORD, Lone Tree, died June 13. He served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1960, then taught in Kanawha for two years, Ringsted for 10 years and at Lone Tree Community School for 19 years. He coached junior high girls track, high school girls basketball, boys baseball, football and wrestling. He retited in 1991.

1968

BERNICE G. KASISCHKE, Sewatd, Neb., died July 14. She was a teacher at St. Paul's Lutheran Church School in Sioux City from 1970 through 1984. She received the Crest of Christ Award in 1988 from Concordia College.

1973

LINDA WANDERSEE, Kenner, La., died of cancer Feb. 5, 2003. She had taught for 17 years at Jesuit High School, where she chaired the modern foreign language department for three years.

1980

KIM HULLINGER, Cumberland, Wis., died June 26. He was a printer for 32 years and had moved to Cumberland in 1993.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

83

Schmitz named HCC president

Hawkeye Community College in Waterloo has appointed Greg Schmitz '83 president.

The announcement was made July 1, after Schmitz served a six-month term as interim president. Prior to Schmitz's appointment, the college closed its presidential search when a top candidate turned down the job. Schmitz had previously served as HCC vice president of administration and finance.

"The whole search process helped us realize at the very end that we already had an excellent candidate for president for Hawkeye," board Chairman Mark Birdnow told the *Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier* in a July 1 story. "And we're very pleased to appoint Greg Schmitz as our next president, because we believe he'll bring tremendous stability and visibility in the community for Hawkeye."

Schmitz, of New Hartford, told the *Courier* he is "honored" the board chose him, noting he had expected only to lead the college through the transition phase.

"The faculty and staff have been very supportive in this period and I think the faculty and board saw that things were continuing to move forward," he said.

Schmitz, a certified public accountant, plans to graduate from Iowa State University in spring 2006 with a master's degree in higher education. Prior to HCC, he was executive director of administrative and financial services for the Waterloo Community Schools. He previously served as controller with the Chicago, Central and Pacific Railroad Co. in Waterloo.

Dr. ABBY NIPP DETTMER, Mason City, is in a family practice residency ar Mercy North after graduating from Des Moines University with a degree in osteopathic medicine. Her husband, MATT DETTMER '99, is a stay-at-home dad with Hailey, 10 months.

LINDSAY GANSEN and Kory Sandon, Highlands Ranch, Colo., were married July 9. Lindsay is a graphic designer with Certol International, Denver.

Dr. BOLDEN "BO" HARRIS, Arlington, Texas, graduated as valedictorian in October 2004 from Palmer College of Chiropractic, Davenport. He owns Harris Chiropractic.

JENITHA KAMELI, Bukoba, Tanzania, attended a global contextual hymn and song workshop in Norway in September. She teaches music and recently received musical instruments donated by Wartburg alumni and delivered to her in Tanzania by two Wartburg alumni tour groups.

SARA KLUENDER and James Coulter, Seattle, Wash., were married Sept. 24. They met as Peace Corps volunteers in rural Zambia, Africa.

ERIN MADSON, Cheyenne, Wyo., graduated in December 2004 from the University of Akron with a master's degree in biology. The former Wartburg Karate Club member has also achieved her black belt.

Mark and EMILY WOLF PAHL, Shakopee, Minn., announce the birth of Gabrielle Marie, Jan. 4.

Dr. BRANDON PATTEN graduared from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry in June and is completing advanced education in general dentistry residency at Naval Hospital Great Lakes, Great Lakes, Ill.

RYAN RAUSCH, New Hampton, is a registered representative with the Principal Financial Group and an assistant football coach at New Hampton High School. His wife, HEATHER JOHNSON '02 RAUSCH, is a marketing coordinator with SoyBasics.

KEEVAN SCHADLE and MICHAEL KAESTNER, Marion, were married Aug. 28, 2004. Keevan is a teacher and coach in the Alburnett Community School District. Michael is a financial planner with Life Investors, Cedar Rapids.

SCOTT THOMA and Dr. Kare DuChene, Iowa City, were married June 4. Scott is an outpatient physical therapist in Muscatine.

SATOKO TSUCHIYA works at a radio station in Tokyo, Japan.

STEPHANIE WALLUKS and Bryan Adams, Monticello, Wis., announce rhe birth of Henry Jakob, June 23.

ANNETTE THURM WHEELER, Anamosa, is director of social services and admissions with the Monticello Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

2002

JOSEPHINA ANTONIOU, Nicosia, Cyprus, is a research associate with the department of computer science at the University of Cyprus.

JASMINE BAXTON, Eagan, Minn., is manager of Mall of America's Bath & Body Works. She is completing a CD, *Feel My Aura, Vibe & Presence,* independently in collaboration with Diamond Cut Family Records and other artists. She also represents the Blame It on Hip Hop fashion line as a model and singer.

JEFF BUDLONG, Albert Lea, Minn., is sports editor for the *Albert Lea Tribune.*

KAYTIE CLARK and Isaac Thompson, San Francisco, Calif., were married July 30.

JULIE DENNER and Darren Westendorf, Waverly, were married May 28.

DUSTIN DESTIVAL, Pleasant Hill, announces the birth of McKenna Lynn Thompson, Sept. 25, 2004.

SHANNON PEARSON GEISINGER, Grinnell, is an office assistant in conference operarions with Grinnell College.

CLAVER HATEGEKIMANA, Ames, finished his master's degree in management information systems at South Dakota State University and is now pursuing a Ph.D. in human-computer interaction at Iowa State University.

KRISTINA CARROLL JESSE, Redondo Beach, Calif., was promoted to rrust officer with Wells Fargo Bank.

SARAH KASZINSKI and her fiancé, Marvin Jackson, Naples, Fla., announce the birth of Taryn Danae Jackson, June 21.

JEREMY KRUSE and Lindsey Johnsen, Storm Lake, were married May 14. Jeremy is an assistant foorball coach ar Buena Vista University.

KIM NEYMEYER and Matt Burlage, Cedar Rapids, were married May 14, in the Wartburg Chapel.

Sgt. JAMIE NORTON, Fort Bragg, N.C., was named the 2005 Medical Command's Noncommissioned Officer of the Year in June. He is an optometry technician at Womack Army Medical Center and received a meritorious service medal for winning the June competition.

LISA SCHEIBE and Aaron Tekippe, Urbandale, were married June 24.

Mark and BECKY KRAHLING SLOAN, Onawa, announce the birth of Makenna Rae, June 29. Becky is director of choirs in grades 6-12 in the Wesr Monona Community School District.

HEIDI TIEDT and Matthew Bird, Clarinda, were married June 4. Heidi teaches applied voice and piano at Iowa Western Community College and also works as a dental assistant.

JOHN and AMITY LEE WAGNER, Des Moines, announce the birth of Gabriel John, May 31.

NATHAN WEAR, Fairfield, graduated with a master's degree in educational administration from Texas State University. He is an elementary principal at Pence Elementary in the Fairfield Community School district. His wife, ANNE WOODRING WEAR, earned the Certified Travel Associate designation and owns Wear Travel, a corporate and luxury travel business.

CHAD WINTERS and SARA COSE, Waukon, were married June 25. Chad is a physical education and health teacher and coaches football, basketball and track at Lansing Kee High School. Sara graduated from Des Moines University Aug. 20 with a Master of Science degree in physician assistant studies.

2003

BROOKE BECKNER, Lawrence, Kan., earned a Master of Software Engineering degree from the University of Kansas in December 2004. She works for the University of Kansas Athletic Corporation.

JOHANNA MADSEN BUCHHOLZ, Lincoln, Neb., is director of young adult ministries and missions at Sheridan Lutheran Church.

ELLEN DANE is in the marketing M.B.A. program at Drexel University, Philadelphia, Pa.

JORDAN DRACKLEY and Blake Hansen, Hudson, were married May 7 in the Wartburg Chapel. Jordan is a copy editor/graphic artist at the *Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier.*

PEGGY FICKER and Nick Retka, St. Cloud, Minn., were married July 23. Peggy is a study abroad adviser at St. Cloud State University.

STACI FRIEDMAN and Doug Jansma, Dell Rapids, S.D., were married June 25. Staci is a DMT support representative with Cigna Tel-Drug Mail Order Pharmacy, Sioux Falls, S.D. In March, she became a certified pharmacy technician.

JILL GJERDE, Denver, Colo., graduated with a master's degree in clinical psychology from the University of Colorado, Denver, May 14.

JOE HUGHES, Boulder, Colo., is a real estate broker and property manager with Borg Real Estate.

ANNA JOHNSON, Eagan, Minn., is account service executive for the Minnesota Wild, a National Hockey League team.

KATIE FOX KOTZ, Phoenix, Ariz., graduated with a Master of Medical Science degree in physician assistant studies from Midwestern University, Glendale.

KIMBERLY MAYER and BRADEN WIPPERMAN '04, Altoona, were married July 16. Kimberly is with Wells Fargo Financial. Braden teaches music in the Highland Community Schools.

JEREMY MICHAEL, Overland Park, Kan., completed a master's degree in the public policy program at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

DEANNA OLSON and Justin Smock, Coralville, were married June 11.

SUZANNE PIEL, West Des Moines, received her master's degree in library and information science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in May. She is youth services librarian at Clive Public Library, Clive.

STEPHANIE RASMUSSEN and Jake Anderson, Pella, were married May 21. Stephanie is a designer with Pella Arts and Graphics.

STACI SCHNEIDER and John Pierce, Waverly, were married July 8. Staci is a special education preschool teacher at Southeast Elementary.

BRYAN and Tricia SIMMONS, Manson, announce the birth of Logan, March 5. Bryan is an auto mechanic with Rost Motors.

MATT SIMON, Abingdon, Va., successfully defended his thesis, "Sediment and Interstitial Water Toxicity to Freshwater Mussels and the Ecotoxicological Recovery of Remediated Acid Mine Drainage Streams," and earned a Master of Science degree from Virginia Tech. His wife, MELISSA BOEVERS SIMON, began her third year medical rotations at Johnston Memorial Hospital.

2004

ROBERT BELAND and SARAH MEIDLINGER '05, Coralville, were married June 4 in the Wartburg Chapel. Sarah is in the sales department at CD Technical.

DREW BOXRUD and Sue Gilbertson, St. Paul, Minn., were married April 9. Drew is a residential project representative with SEH, Inc., Vadnais Heights.

DOUG COLE and Megan Twomey, Fort Collins, Colo., were married Dec. 31, 2004. Doug is a high school English and speech teacher.

JAMES CORY, Cedar Falls, was promoted to contact center supervisor at W.W. Grainger, Waterloo.

LONNA FIELD, Minneapolis, Minn., completed a year in the Lutheran Volunteer Corps and is now a church youth director.

ELIZABETH KELLY, West Des Moines, is a closing consultant with Principal Financial Group, Des Moines.

NATE KERL and RUTH FALINK, Rochester, Minn., were married June 25. Nate is a web designer with *Exhibitor Magazine.*

STEVEN MURRAY, Cedar Rapids, is an administrative staff member with the Cedar Rapids Symphony, serving as education director and director of the Cedar Rapids Symphony School.

SARA NYHUS, Forest City, is serving a year in the United Kingdom as a volunteer in the Young Adults in Global Mission Program of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

BILAL RAHIM is studying at Oxford University and Green College in Oxford, United Kingdom, in the history of medicine, science and technology program.

ABBY RODEMEYER and Ryan Person, Milford, were married June 11.

JONATHAN SCHACK, West Union, is youth ministry coordinator at Zion Lutheran Church.

ALUMNI UPDATE

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KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

'90

Alumna named Physical Therapist of the Year

A Wartburg alumna has been named Illinois Physical Therapy Association Physical Therapist of the Year. Tina Jonas '90 of Bartlett, Ill., received the honor in September.

Courtesy photo

ALUMNA HONORED – Tina Jonas '90, left, was honored as Illinois Physical Therapy Association Physical Therapist of the Year.

Awardees must be nominated by at least three IPTA members. The criteria includes: respect of peers; being active in district or state association activities; demonstrated contribution to physical therapy in education, management, patient care or research; role model for peers and students; and/or ethical standards.

According to a statement read at the award ceremony, "Tina is a dedicated leader who takes her profession very seriously. She is extremely committed to not only clinical self-improvement, but the development and growth of physical therapy as a profession. She is supportive of her peers and is always encouraging membership, while continually demonstrating the benefits and need for supporting the association. Her boundless energy and enthusiasm are infectious and inspirational."

JULIE SCHULTZ, San Diego, Calif., is a marketing assistant and conversion analyst with The Active Network.

AMY SERFLATEN, Omaha, Neb., is a youth and family developer at First Lutheran Church.

APRIL CHERRY SHOWALTER, Milwaukee, Wis., teaches kindergarten in the Hamilton School District.

JELENA STOJANOVIC and John Mulvey, Lexington, Ky., were married May 28. Jelena works at State Farm as a product specialist.

2005

BETH ANDERSON is a student in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State University, Ames.

TAMMY JO ANDERSON, Guam, is public safety reporter with the *Pacific Daily News*. She is working on a master's degree in history and secondary education at the University of Guam.

BRADI ARNOLD, Davenport, is a student at Palmer College of Chiropractic.

KELSEY PADDERUD BAKER, Waverly, is a graduate student in school psychology at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

CHRISTINE BERLIN is a teacher with the Lower Yukon School District, Scammon Bay, Alaska.

BENJAMIN BRADY, Ames, is a graduate student in the information assurance program at Iowa State University.

ERIN BRINKMAN and Steve Mulder, Greene, were married March 5.

JASON BURNS, Waverly, is a DJ and assistant music director with 97.7 KCRR, the Classic Rock Station, Waterloo.

ELIZABETH CARR, Cedar Falls, is a vocal music educator at Sacred Heart School, Waterloo.

JENNIFER CARR, Fishers, Ind., teaches eighth-grade language arts with the South Madison School Corp., Pendleton.

LAURA THORNTON CARSON, Columbia, S.C., is a student in the Master of Arts in Religion program at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary.

RAE LYNNE NELSON CHASE, Urbandale, is a student at Drake University Law School.

SAMANTHA COLLINS, Houston, Texas, teaches seventh-grade social studies.

MATT CONNELL, Marshalltown, is a student at the University of Iowa, Iowa City.

EMILY COOK and Dan Becker, Omaha, Neb., were married June 25. Emily is an elementary teacher for the Cadre Program in the Omaha Public Schools.

NANCY FRANZEN-BETHER, Spillville, is the safety and compliance manager at Olson Explosives, Inc., Decorah.

NATHAN GARBES, Ankeny, is a commercial credit analyst with Valley Bank, Ames.

SARAH GEORGE is an admissions counselor for the National University of Health Sciences, Lombard, Ill.

EDWARD GLADE, St. Paul, Minn., is a student at Luther Seminary.

RYAN GOETZ is enrolled in the Doctor of Chiropratic program at Northwestern Health Sciences University, Bloomington, Minn.

RANAE GRAFFT, Iowa City, is a physical therapy graduate student at the University of Iowa.

EVAN HAMEL, Waterloo, is with Waterloo Industries, Inc., as analyst I, capital and fixed assets.

CINDY HANNEMANN, Nashua, is with First State Bank as a bookkeeper/ administrative assistant.

LESLEE HILLEMAN, Madison, Wis., works in quality assurance with Epic Systems.

JONATHAN HINES, La Crosse, Wis., works at WKBT-TV.

JANNAE HOLUBAR, West Des Moines, is a communications specialist with the West Des Moines Community School District.

VERNE HOUSTON, Pella, is a department manager with Pella Windows and Doors.

HOLLY HRUSKA, Overland Park, Kan., is an account executive with Focus Legal Solutions, a litigation support company.

JEFF JUST, West Des Moines, is a personal lines underwriter with Allied Insurance, Des Moines.

KELLIE KELCK, Wyoming, teaches art in the Midland Schools.

JAMIE KELLEY and HEIDI FLICKINGER, Cedar Rapids, were married June 25. Jamie teaches vocal music at Vernon Middle School, Marion. Heidi is student teaching in Atkins.

TYLER KETELSEN and LISA JEBSEN, La Crescent, Minn., were married Aug. 20. Tyler is a graduate student in physical education at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. Lisa is a graduate student in English at Winona State University, Winona.

SARAH KLEINSMITH is a volunteer in the United Kingdom with the Young Adults in Global Mission Program of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

KELLY KOHLHAAS and Corey Menning, Algona, were married July 16.

JARED KRAY, Des Moines, is enrolled in the osteopathic medicine program at Des Moines University.

CHELSEA KROHE, Cedar Rapids, is a consulting associate with Frank N. Magid Associates.

BENJAMIN KRUEGER and ANGELA ALTHOFF, Waverly, were married July 23. Angela teaches kindergarten in the Waverly-Shell Rock Schools. Ben is a manager at Wal-Mart.

Alumnus 'pays forward' with internships

by Abbie Lichty '07

By providing internships in both computer science and business-related fields of study, John Tanner '79 allows Wartburg students an opportunity to chase their dreams, just as he was encouraged to do when he was a student.

Tanner is president and founder of Tanner Research, Inc. in Pasadena, Calif., a leading company in microelectronic design and computer software. Like other Wartburg entrepreneurs, Tanner attributes his success and ongoing interest in computer science to an internship he had during one May Term.

"My internship broadened my eyes to what was being done in computer science," recalled Tanner.

Tanner started his company a decade after his first internship, which was given to him by John Tuecke '60. Tanner believes his experience helped him gauge his interest in computer science.

"Getting exposure through that internship was so important in deciding my career in computers," he said. "I couldn't be happier with my decision to seize that opportunity."

At Homecoming 2003, Tanner personally expressed his gratitude to Tuecke. It was through Tuecke's outreach that Tanner realized he, too, wanted to give back to Wartburg.

"I really wanted to pay forward my debt to Wartburg," Tanner said. "I had a great internship experience arranged by an alum, so I wanted to return the benefit by recruiting current students for internships at my company."

Tanner's first software developer intern was Jesse Sathre '06 during summer 2004. Sathre had such a successful experience that he decided to return to Wartburg and spread the word.

"I originally found out about the internship through Jesse," said Andy Kruse '06, recent Tanner Research intern and engineering and computer science major.

Courtesy photo

PASADENA – Computer engineering and business interns spent the summer months working with Tanner Research, Inc. Front row, from left: Jesse Sathre '06 of Tripoli; Valerie Gramlich '06 of Waukon; Andy Kruse '06 of Tipton. Back row: John Tanner '79 of Pasadena; Vedran Solaja '05 of Pasadena; and Michael Schmitz '06 of New Hartford.

During Homecoming 2004, Tanner visited Wartburg and promoted different internship opportunities, answering questions and interviewing for open positions.

In summer 2005, Tanner Research hosted five interns from Wartburg.

Since its beginning in 1988, Tanner Research's success has continued to grow. The company has received the Deloitte and Touche Fast 50 Award for five consecutive years. The *L.A. Business Journal* has also listed Tanner Research as one of the 100 Fastest Growing Private Companies in Los Angeles County for three straight years.

Tanner attributes part of his company's success to Wartburg interns.

"The interns have had great ideas that have really impacted the company, more specifically the product they've been working on," said Tanner. "With their help, we are ready to launch ClearSync."

ClearSync is a calendar and contact management software program for desktop computers and Palm-powered handheld devices. The computer software interns, including Sathre, Kruse and Michael Schmitz '06, have all contributed to the development of this program.

While Kruse, Sathre and Schmitz worked on the engineering details of the project, business development interns Vedran Solaja '05 and Valerie Gramlich '06 assisted in marketing.

While the students may have felt apprehensive at first, they ultimately believe stepping outside of Wartburg and Iowa has been extremely beneficial, both personally and professionally.

"Deciding to leave Iowa for California, without a car and a place to live and with little marketing experience, was a difficult decision to make," Gramlich explained. "I feel that I made the right decision in coming out here. I have grown so much as a person and as a business professional."

– Lichty is a communication arts major and religion minor from Hudson.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Doctor exposes disabled youth to new opportunities

by Crystal Tews '07

Courtesy photo

GOT GAME – Thanks to the efforts of Dr. Clay Dahlquist '94 and other Waverly-area hunters, Mark Scheel and his son, Andrew, 9, were able to enjoy their first father-son hunting excursion.

Andrew Scheel, 9, woke before sunrise Sept. 17 to do something he's never been able to do before.

Thanks to Dr. Clay Dahlquist '94 and a group of avid hunters, Scheel enjoyed his first deer hunting expedition.

Andrew had a stroke before birth, which has left him with a right-side deficit. He has limited use of his right arm and walks with a splint on his right leg. He also suffers from epilepsy, daily migraines and cerebral palsy.

Dahlquist, a family practitioner in Waverly, teamed with other members of the local chapter of the National Wildlife Turkey Federation (NWTF) to make it possible for Andrew and others with disabilities to enjoy the outdoors by passing on the hunting experience.

"We want to give them exposure to something they don't think they can do," said Dahlquist.

NWTF recently started a program called Wheelin' Sportsmen to help disabled people get involved in outdoor activities, and the local chapter is responsible for hosting the events. This hunt was a free, guided hunt during the special Iowa deer season for disabled hunters.

"We've never figured out a way to get him out to do something like this," said Mark Scheel, Andrew's father. "They are willing to take the time and have the supplies to make it happen."

From behind a hunting blind, Andrew was able to use a donated shooting bench and lead sled to help him maneuver his gun.

In the future, Dahlquist plans to continue with annual hunting expeditions and expand to include events dedicated to turkey hunting for disabled hunters.

"Every year, even if we only have one person, we're still going to do it as long as I'm here," Dahlquist said.

– Tews is a biology major from Winona, Minn.

CASSANDRA LACINA is a graduate student at the University of Aesthetics, Chicago.

KARI LANGE, Omaha, Neb., is a social worker at The Lutheran Home.

SARAH LEARN, Denison, is an English/ESL teacher at Denison High School.

RACHEL LILLIS is a graduate student in the accelerated nursing program at Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.

REBECCA LUCAS is a graduate student in physical therapy at St. Ambrose University, Davenport.

KELLI MARLOW, Scottsdale, Ariz., teaches fourth grade at Lone Mountain Elementary in the Cave Creek School District, Cave Creek.

JORDAN MAUS, Davenport, is a certified personal trainer with Life Time Fitness, Schaumburg, Ill.

AMANDA NELSON, Pleasantville, teaches K-12 art in the Pleasantville Community School District.

STEVEN NEPTUN, East Peoria, Ill., is a web developer with Stellar Systems, Inc., Peoria.

BRANDON NEWTON, Dubuque, is a student at Wartburg Theological Seminary.

SARAH OLSEN, Pella, teaches third grade in the Lynnville-Sully Community Schools, Sully.

JENNIFER OLTHOFF, Davenport, is a graduate student at Palmer Chiropractic.

MISTY ONKEN and Brian Prosser, New Hampton, were married July 23.

BEN PARKS, Macomb, Ill., is a graduate student and assistant complex director at Western Illinois University.

KIMBERLY PETERSEN, Grundy Center, teaches first grade in the Grundy Center Community School District.

KATIE RAPP, Bettendorf, is a social work graduate student at St. Ambrose University, Davenport.

CHELSEY RODGERS, Charles City, teaches English and journalism at Charles City High School.

SETH ROWLAND is a design engineer with Innomatix LLC.

CHRISTINE SCARLETT and Brian Fiscus, Minnetonka, Minn., were married July 2. Christine teaches eighth-grade mathematics at Watertown-Mayer Middle School.

ASHLEY SCHEIDEL, Des Moines, is an HR executive compensation analyst with Principal Financial Group.

BETHANY SCHNEBBE, Cedar Falls, is a youth specialist with Lutheran Services of Iowa, Waverly.

PHILIP SCHROETTER and SHANNON McDONNELL, Waverly, were married July 2. Philip is a K-12 general/vocal music teacher at West Central Community Schools, Maynard. Shannon is in the accelerated nursing program at Allen College of Nursing, Waterloo.

KAYLA SCHWICKERATH, New Hampton, is a team leader with Target Corporation, Cedar Falls.

KIERSTIN SKOVGAARD, Green Bay, Wis., is a business analyst with Shopko Corporate.

SARA STEFFEN and Scott Wehling, Waverly, were married in July. Sara is team leader of billing and collection at CUNA Mutual Life Insurance Company.

WESLEY TERRILL, Pella, is a second-shift department manager with Pella Corporation.

CHRISTOPHER TRIPOLINO and ERIN MEYER, Cedar Falls, were married Aug. 13.

CHRISTINA ZINK, Omaha, Neb., is class coordinator/box office assistant with The Rose (Blumkin) Theater.

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BRIANNE BORGIE, Geneva, Ill., is a music therapy intern at UIC Hospitals, Chicago.

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Crystal Tews

CALENDAR

DECEMBER

8, 9 & 10 Wartburg Players present *A Christmas Carol* – McCaskey Lyceum, Saemann Student Center, 7:30 p.m.

9 Knightliters Jazz Band Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

10 Wartburg Community Symphony Family Holiday Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 2 p.m. Kids' show expert John Burstein presents *The Magic Fruit (a nutritional opera).*

11 December Commencement – Wartburg Chapel, 9:30 a.m.

Christmas Candlelight Services – Wartburg Chapel, 5 and 7 p.m.

16-Jan. 9 Christmas Break (offices close at noon Dec. 23-Jan. 1)

JANUARY

10 Winter Term classes begin

17 Convocation – Neumann Auditorium, 11:30 a.m., *Freedom Sings,* a musical celebration of the First Amendment and the 100th anniversary of the Wartburg *Trumpet*

20 & 28 Meistersinger Music Scholarship Auditions – prospective students audition for scholarships of up to $4,000 per year

21 & 29 Regents Scholarship Days – prospective students compete for top academic scholarships, from $7,500 per year to full tuition

22 Bob Smith Invite Forensics Tournament – hosted by the Wartburg Forensics Team

Meistersinger Honor Vocal Festival Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 3 p.m.., featuring selected high school vocalists and the Wartburg Choir

FEBRUARY

4 Meistersinger Honor Band Festival Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.., featuring the Wartburg Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Band

5 Meistersinger Honor Band Festival Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 3 p.m.

11 Meistersinger Music Scholarship Audition

12 Presidential Scholarship Day – prospective students compete for scholarships ranging from $4,500 to $7,500 per year

16 Artist Series, *Rhapsody in Bob* – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., featuring The Bobs, a vocal a cappella group. Call 319-352-8286 for tickets

18 Wartburg Community Symphony Concert – Neumann Auditorium, , 7:30 p.m., featuring pianist Chiu Ling Lin performing *Concerto No. 1* by Peter Ilytch Tchaikovsky

24 & 25 Wartburg Players and the Music Department present *The Magic Flute* – McCaskey Lyceum, 7:30 p.m.

26 Chapel Choir Concert/Handbell Concert – Wartburg Chapel, 2 p.m.

MARCH

3-12 Winter Term Break

14 Artist Series, *Return to Forbidden Planet* – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., a rock 'n' roll version of Shakespeare's *The Tempest.* Call 319-352-8286 for tickets

21 Convocation – Neumann Auditorium, 11:30 a.m., featuring Lena Williams, author of best-selling book, *It's the Little Things: Everyday Interactions that Anger, Annoy and Divide the Races*

26 St. Elizabeth Chorale High Tea – St. Elizabeth Room, Saemann Student Center, 3 p.m.

APRIL

1 Castle Singers Dessert Concert – Knights Ballroom, Saemann Student Center, 3 p.m.

Wartburg Community Symphony Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Pianist Andreas Klein performs Ravel's *Concerto in G* and the Iowa premiere of a new work by Joan Tower, part of Ford Made in America, a project made possible by the Ford Motor Company Fund.

1 & 2 Senior High Youth Event – a weekend for high school students sponsored by the Church Relations Office and Campus Ministry

2 Wartburg Choir Home Concert – Wartburg Chapel, 2 p.m.

6-8 Wartburg Players present *Major Barbara* – McCaskey Lyceum, Saemann Student Center, 7:30 p.m.

7 Knightliters Jazz Band Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

7-8 *Major Barbara* – McCaskey Lyceum, Saemann Student Center, 7:30 p.m.; presented by Wartburg Players; $5 general admission, students free

8 Ritterchor Concert – Wartburg Chapel, 2 p.m.

Symphonic Band Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

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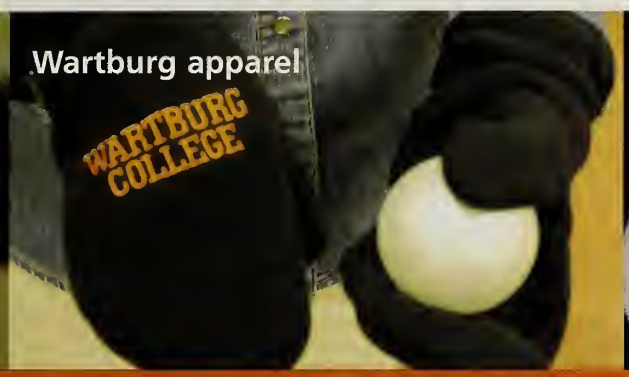

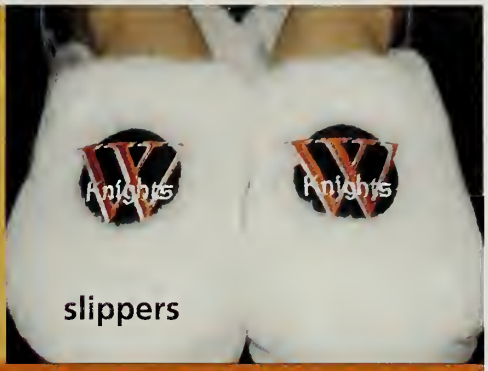

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